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CROP Walkers Out In Big Numbers



THE AGAWAM CROP WALK was held on Sunday, October 18th, with a large group walking for the cause. Some of the walkers included, from left - Ralph McEwan, Richard Chapman, Betty Copy, Eunice Pellegrini, Fred Pellegrini, and P.J. Mason. MORE PHOTOS INSIDE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Jr. High Inducts 341 Students Into Anti-Drug Club

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

The Agawam Junior High School's Non-User's Club inducted 341 members during an installation ceremony in the auditorium last Wednesday afternoon (October 21st).

Parents were invited to the ceremony, along with guest speakers, to congratulate the students on their pledge to stay alcohol-, tobacco-, and drug-free.

Club advisor and teacher James Ryan acted as moderator of the program and thanked each of the 11 teacher/advisors for their support in making the Non-Users such a success.

Ryan introduced each guest speaker at their respective level of representation to the students, beginning with Junior High Principal Kevin Littlefield. Next, Superintendent of Schools Bernard Ryder spoke, followed by Mayor Christopher C. Johnson.

State Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam) added his encouragement, saying, "Listening to my colleagues down at the State Capital, some of the most serious problems relate to drugs and alcohol. You (the students) know the problems with drugs and alcohol abuse, and the risk of tobacco use, because you have been through the DARE program."

SEE NON USERS - Education Section...

Curriculum For Agawam Schools To Be Reviewed

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Superintendent Bernard Ryder conducted a meeting on Wednesday, October 28th, in his conference room to form a K-12 (kindergarten through grade 12) Curriculum Review Committee comprised of teachers, administrators, and parents.

Ryder said, "I have spoken to the principals and teachers on this subject. Annually, you don't write curriculum; but every eight to 10 years, the curriculum has to be assessed and the time seems right."

"I invited people interested in working with me to assess the curriculum and to see if the curriculum is appropriate before we enter the next century," noted Ryder.

He added, "I am looking for someone to oversee and supervise the Review Committee. Someone will have to do a lot of writing."

Ryder has been conducting his own assessment of the Agawam public schools and will present what he perceives as the goals and objectives of the district, along with the newly-formed K-12 Curriculum Review Committee, in a package to the School Committee on November 10th.

SEE REVIEW - Page 2...

Agawam Co-Ed On "The Tonight Show" With Garth Brooks

An Agawam High graduate received the thrill of a lifetime when she recently appeared on *The Tonight Show With Jay Leno* as part of a group of back-up singers for popular Country Western singer Garth Brooks.

Tammy M. Moran, 20, of 167 Meadowbrook Road, a sophomore at California State University, was one of 20 jazz singers from the university who appeared with Brooks at the NBC Burbank Studios to perform on *The Tonight Show*.

Tammy is a currently majoring in music and theatre at Cal State. Brooks sang "We Shall Be Free" with the university's group of jazz singers.

According to Tammy, Brooks personally introduced himself to each of the 20 college singers. "He was a very polite and caring person," said Tammy.

Another thrill for Tammy was meeting TV and movie star Tom Selleck, who was one of Jay Leno's guests that evening. "He is a giant of a man with lots of charisma and personality. I thought him to be very warm and caring. And he is gorgeous," added Tammy.

Tammy's aspirations after graduating from college are to sing and work professionally on stage.

She is the daughter of Genevieve Chmielewski and the step daughter of Michael Chmielewski, both of 167 Meadowbrook Road. She is the daughter of Robert Moran of Moor Park, California.

While at Agawam High, Tammy was a member of the school's Show Choir, under the direction of Steven Files.



AGAWAM'S TAMMY MORAN and popular country western singer Garth Brooks at the NBC Studios in Burbank, California.



IN PHOTO LEFT, Joseph W. Lamothe of the Agawam VFW presents a donation to Mark McCormick, chairman of the Agawam Veterans' Council for the Veterans' Memorial Gazebo; IN PHOTO RIGHT, Polish Club Bingo Committee members present McCormick with a check for \$500. From left - Bob Binnenkade, chairman; Lorraine Labun, member; McCormick, and Mark Dintzner, bingo caller. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



REVIEW - from Page 1...

At presstime, the Review Committee's agenda was an overview of the curriculum, developing a project design with a timetable of 1993-94. Ryder noted, "This will be a two-year project."

The Review Committee was expected to meet for one hour to express ideas, assign tasks to new members, and set up dates for future meetings.

Prior to the meeting, Ryder said he felt the Agawam schools had a good curriculum, but noted that there had been indications from both staff and parents that some parties felt there were a few "missing links" that could be looked at.

"That is where I began gathering interested parties to form this committee," Ryder said.

Best Hometown News

Polish American Club, VFW Come Thru With \$500 Donations For Vets' Gazebo

Responding to the need for additional funds, the Agawam Polish American Club Bingo Committee approved a second \$500 donation for the Agawam Veterans' Memorial Community Gazebo which the club presented to the Agawam Veterans' Council on Tuesday, October 13th.

For those who have gone by the Veterans' Green located in front of Phelps School on Main Street, the gazebo has become a scenic addition. Although near completion, it has been estimated an additional \$2,000 is needed to make the gazebo fully functional.

Electrical wiring, lighting, a ceiling, the ramp railings, gate and memorial plaque, plus landscaping are all on hold awaiting funding.

Recently, a wedding party was observed holding a photo session on the gazebo on a

beautiful Saturday morning. The people of our community are already realizing the benefits of the gazebo in our town center.

The purpose of the structure is to be used by the community for the benefit and enjoyment of the community. The Agawam Veterans' Council needs the donations of the citizens, civic organizations, and businesses of Agawam to complete the project.

All donations of \$100 or more will be recognized on the memorial plaque to be permanently affixed to the gazebo. Please support the Agawam Veterans' Memorial Community Gazebo and make your contribution to the Gazebo Building Fund, c/o Veterans Service Office, Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA 01001.

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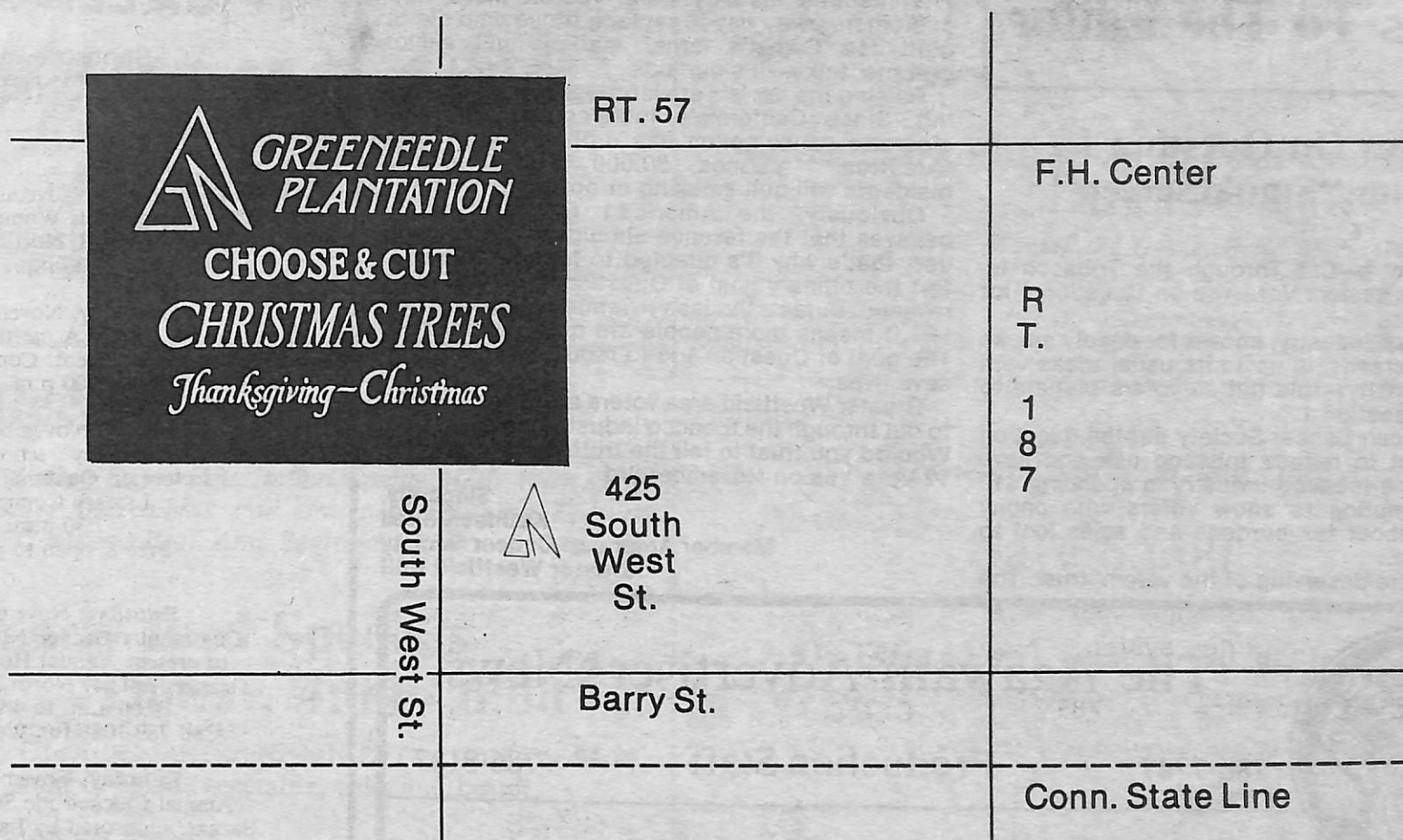
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Editorial

Endorsing Melconian For Senate

As we have in the past, we again endorse the reelection of State Senator J. Melconian to her seat in the First Hampden District.

She is being challenged by Springfield businessman William Caplin on the Republican side. We applaud the campaign of Mr. Caplin and for addressing many issues that are important to the district. We wish him the best in the future.

But again, we endorse Senator Melconian's candidacy with the Town of Agawam in mind.

When first elected in 1981, Senator Melconian promised to open her district office in Agawam. For the past 11 years she and her staff have served the citizens of Agawam with vim and vigor. Although Senator Melconian's district is a large and diverse one, this community has always received top priority. We believe this is due in part to her Walnut Street Extension district office being so easily accessible to townspeople.

Over the years, she has produced for Agawam.

We remember her taking a strong stand against the new county jail being located

on land in Feeding Hills.

Since 1981, she, teamed with State Rep. Michael P. Walsh, has worked tirelessly and laboriously on the expansion of Route 57, despite many regional, state, and federal roadblocks.

Now that Phase I construction of Route 57 is well underway, she is now exhibiting that same commitment to moving the Phase II construction of Route 57 back on track.

Moreover, her influence in Boston played a role in the current reconstruction of dangerous intersections on Route 57 at Poplar, Mill, and Springfield Streets. She is using her influence in Boston to move plans along to reconstruct South Westfield Street so that schoolchildren walking to Granger School and the Junior High will be safer on the trek to and from school.

She played a key role in having \$2.6 million awarded to Agawam for elderly and family housing at the old Danahy School. Today, this elderly complex is a source of pride for those living there. And for the residents of North Agawam, the many fond memories of Danahy School

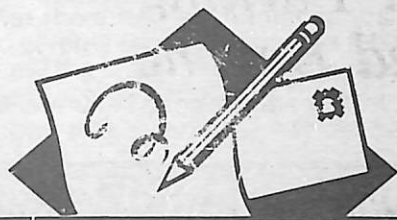
can continue to be a source of community pride through this model of elderly congregation.

When the town was in the process of buying the former YMCA land on Mill Street, she lent her support and helped to secure state funding. The town now has a vibrant Perry Lane Park which serves hundreds of town youth each summer as a camp, as well as provide townspeople with a wonderful recreational area.

Senator Melconian has always been known for her commitment to education over the years. She played a role in the return of over a million dollars to the Agawam Schools this year as vice chairwoman of the Senate Ways and Means Committee.

In times of severe cutbacks in education in many cities and towns throughout the state, Agawam's education system has remained strong due to the efforts of elected officials, teachers, and parents. This funding has further enhanced the town's ability to educate its children.

It's for these reasons we believe Senator Melconian again deserves your consideration on election day.



Letters To The Editor

Vote Yes On Question I Beat The "Smokescreen"

To The Editor:

Re: Question 1—Cut Through the Tobacco Industry Smokescreen: Vote Yes on Question 1 for Health

The tobacco industry, known for deadly smoke and smokescreens, is up to its usual tricks with unusual intensity—this fall as voters prepare to decide on Question 1.

The American Cancer Society put the question on the ballot to reduce tobacco use and save lives. Now the tobacco industry is spending \$10 million attempting to snow voters with phony arguments about tax burdens and sales lost to border states.

Who is more deserving of the voters' trust: The

American Cancer Society or the nicotine profiteers?

Tobacco industry advertising attempts to play on public cynicism about taxes and government to distract voters from the reason the question was proposed in the first place—to prevent kids from becoming addicted to nicotine. Their latest television ad doesn't even mention the "T" word—tobacco.

Cigarettes kill 434,000 Americans every year. The nicotine industry must recruit 3,000 new customers every day to replace those who die or quit. Joe Camel's target market isn't senior citizens, folks—it's our kids.

Raising the tax is a proven way to reduce smoking. Since California's tobacco tax increase, cigarette consumption has dropped by 17%. If Question 1 passes, 80,000 Massachusetts residents will quit smoking or not start.

Obviously, the American Cancer Society believes that the revenue should be put to good use; that's why it's directed to health programs. But the primary goal of Question 1 isn't to raise revenue. In fact, the less revenue raised, the better! It means more people are quitting smoking. The goal of Question 1 is to reduce smoking and save lives.

Greater Westfield area voters are smart enough to cut through the tobacco industry smokescreen. Who do you trust to tell the truth about Question 1? Vote Yes on November 3rd.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Buell

Member American Cancer Society
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Tuesday, November 3rd
Feeding Hills Women's Club
Grange Hall, North West St.
7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 4th
MOCA meeting
Ag. Police Dept. Comm. Room
7:00 p.m.

Friday, November 6th
"First Friday" series presents
lecture on Quabbin Reservoir
Ag. Library Comm. Room
7:30 p.m.
Free & open to public

Saturday, November 7th
Community Grange No. 382 of F.H.
to present Annual Holiday Bazaar
Grange Hall, 47 North West St., F.H.
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
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Saturday, November 14th
Annual Chicken Pie Supper & Mini
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Agawam PTOs Again Beaten For Halloween Withdrawal**To The Editor:**

Halloween is upon us once again. And once again, the Agawam PTOs are taking a beating for withdrawing their help from the CASH (Citizens of Agawam for a Safe Halloween) parties.

I thought the issue had been clarified last year, but after reading the article in the media, I can see I was wrong. I explained several different reasons for this action taken by the PTOs, but to my dismay, not all the reasons appeared in the article. Please allow me the space to once again clarify the PTOs' stand.

Two years ago, following Halloween, PTO representatives across town met and discussed our involvement in the CASH parties. Several observations were made; among them are the following:

Pre-schoolers had to walk through barrooms at a VFW to get their party.

Elementary school parties were not always well-supervised. Children were dropped off and picked up in crowded—and in some cases unlit—parking lots. Children were just being sent out into these parking lots at pick-up time because parents were not allowed in the buildings unless they were helping. (Helping was almost impossible for a parent with more than one child at different schools because that parent spent all night trying to drop off and pick up the children at different party locations.)

The parents—the same ones year after year who continually volunteered their time to help with the parents—realized that our own children were being shortchanged. They were often dressed in last-minute, makeshift costumes because their parents were too busy making sure everyone else's children had a happy, safe Halloween while they were being neglected.

Of somewhat lesser importance than safety and family time were the observations that the money the PTOs spent on Halloween could be put to better use in the education of our children and candy could be poisoned at the manufacturer's as well as in a private home, so the party candy was really no safer than trick-or-treating.

We also said that if the town banned together and set up intelligent guidelines for safe trick-or-treating and everyone followed those guidelines,

there should be no problems.

ALL of these observations contributed to our decision to withdraw our help from the CASH parties. Despite some opinions, we never said the parties should be discontinued. We just said that we wanted our children to be safe with their parents and siblings on this scary holiday.

Sincerely,
Kathleen A. Mounemneh
81 Independence Road
Feeding Hills

Battlelines are clearly being drawn, and unfortunately the battleground is the future of three, four, and five year-old children. As Scott Rheault stated in your paper last week, questions are being asked and the answers are few.

I also believe that it is time to question the accountability from our government.

A. Phillips
Feeding Hills

Early Childhood Controversy Questions Accountability**To The Editor:**

"Talk of the Town."

Twice this week I have heard heated discussions regarding the Agawam School Committee and the Early Childhood Program. Once in a bank and again in a local restaurant.

People are talking not about national politics, but of a much more local variety. Statements like "the parents of these children do not have to send their children to this program," "that maybe they should look into the Head Start Program in Springfield to see how good they have got it," and "how one School Committee member stated funds at the end of the year had been returned into the budget was an incorrect statement."

Is there any communication going on at all between School Committee members?

Tuition really is not the whole issue here. I wonder about the rationale behind the decision that only "Role Model Children" should be made to pay for this federally funded program. Surely the ability to pay is not based on whether a child has a learning disability or not.

I also wonder why the School Committee and Mayor Johnson knew or cared so little about the proper procedures which should have been followed when making this decision. If additional funds were needed for the program, then why is the program able to continue now that they have rescinded the fee, and why was the revenue never targeted for the program itself?

Surely, the High School Activity Fund was not the place for these funds being paid for by the parents of small children.

Osborn Clinic Receives Much Unfair Publicity**To The Editor:**

To The Citizens Of Agawam:

We want the citizens of Agawam to know that the Osborn Clinic has not been charged with fraud, as implied by recent unfair publicity. In common with other clinics, 2½ years ago we had an audit that was completed to the state's satisfaction. No fraud was found.

If it had been, our license would surely have been suspended at that time. There were no findings of billing for services not provided; in fact, the nurse auditors told us that our billing verification was unusually complete for clinics of our size.

It has also been mentioned that we have been called to a grand jury hearing. A grand jury has been convened to investigate billing practices of certain clinics in the area. We do not believe that we are the target of this investigation.

We have been asked to supply certain information about our former relationship with a management team we hired to run the clinic in the mid '80's. We recognize the need for monitoring of clinic services and are cooperating fully in these proceedings.

This whole affair has been a shock to our family, our staff, and our clients. We very much appreciate, however, the warm support which we have received from so many of our friends here in Agawam and elsewhere.

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Agawam Crime Prevention...

The State's Fire Prevention Laws

by Detective Wayne Macey
Agawam Police Department

The following information was compiled by the NRA Institute for legislative action.

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There is a \$2 fee and the FID is valid until revoked or suspended. Minors under the age of 15 are prohibited from obtaining a card, but a minor between the ages of 15 and 18 may obtain an FID with the written permission of his parent or guardian.

Aliens must obtain a special alien permit which will allow them to possess a rifle or a shotgun. Any person who inherits a rifle, shotgun, or handgun is required to obtain an FID or a license to carry within 180 days if he intends to retain possession of the firearm.

New residents moving into the state who own firearms must, within 60 of the move, obtain an FID or a license to carry to make such possession legal in Massachusetts.

PURCHASE

To purchase a rifle, shotgun, or ammunition, the buyer must have a license to carry or an FID,

or proof of exempt status (police, military, etc.), and be 18 years of age or older.

To purchase a handgun, the buyer must have (A) a license to carry or (B) a permit to purchase and an FID or (C) a permit to purchase and proof of exempt status.

A permit to purchase a handgun is obtained from the commissioner of public safety or the local chief of police (who has the discretion to issue or deny the permit). The permit costs \$2 and is valid for 10 days. No permit may be issued to a person under the age of 18. The permit is valid for the purchase of one handgun.

CARRY

An FID alone does not entitle its holder to carry a handgun. A license is required to carry a handgun. The application must be made to the chief of police, who has discretion (after an investiga-

tion) to issue or deny the license.

Fingerprints, photographs, and the payment of a \$20 fee are required. The license is valid for five years, but may be revoked "for cause ... at the will of the licensing authority." The license to carry allows the holder to purchase, possess, or carry an unlimited number of handguns.

The applicant must never have been convicted of a felony, must be 21 years of age (or 18 years of age and have his parents' permission), and be a U.S. citizen. License to carry may be issued for the purpose of protection, if circumstances warrant, or simply for target practice.

Handguns can be transported only with a license to carry. A resident may transport a rifle or a shotgun, provided it is unloaded and he/she has an FID. Further information is available through the records department at police headquarters.

LETTERS - from Page 5...

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Sincerely,
William J. Osborn, Ph.D.
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**Dave's Soda & Pet Food City
Thanked By Town Resident****To The Editor:**

I would like to thank Mr. Dave Ratner of "Dave's Pet Food City" for his help during my recent dilemma.

Being an elementary science teacher with virtually no budget, left me with the problem of purchasing a classroom pet.

I approached Dave with the concept of a loan program. This would involve exchanging one pet for another every few months. Without hesitancy, Dave agreed to loan us a rabbit and included all the paraphernalia with it.

In the midst of a sometimes tumultuous society, it is refreshing to know that some people are still selfless and concerned with the plight of their fellow man.

Thanks Dave!
Maggie Joseph
Agawam

Teacher, DeBerry School, Springfield

**AHS Field Hockey Boosters
Give Kudos To Local Business****To The Editor:**

The Agawam High School Field Hockey Booster Club wishes to thank the following businesses for their support in our recent fundraiser:

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Sincerely,
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Precinct 4 - Agawam Middle School, 100 Main Street
Precinct 5 - Benjamin J. Phelps School, School Street
Precinct 6 - James Clark School, 65 Oxford Street
Precinct 7 - Agawam Junior High School, Springfield Street

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QUESTIONS

No. 1 - Tax on Cigarettes and Smokeless Tobacco
No. 2 - Public Reporting of Corporate Tax Information
No. 3 - Requiring Reduced, Reusable or Recyclable Packaging
No. 4 - Tax on Oils and Hazardous Materials

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AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL

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Town Council Agenda For Monday, Nov. 4th

1. Citizen's Speak Time
2. Roll Call
3. Moments of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance
4. Minutes - Regular Council Meeting of 10/19/92
5. Declaration from Council President
6. Presentation of Petitions, Memorials & Remonstrances

(a) Resolutions

1. TR-92-61-A Resolution Supporting the Enactment of House Bill No. 5610, An Act Requiring the Vaccination of Cats (Coun. Taylor).
2. TR-92-62-A Resolution to Reorganize Standing Committees of the Agawam Town Council and to Establish New Standing Committees of the Agawam Town Council (Pres. Willis)(Referred to Rules and Reg. Comm. on 10/19/92).

TR-92-63-A Resolution Supporting the Enactment of House Bill No. 4581, An Act Requiring the Reporting of Felony Convictions to the Commissioner of Public Safety to Verify Eligibility of Certain Firearm Licenses (Coun. Willis & Taylor).

7. Report of Council Committees
8. Elections

(a)

1. TE-92-14-Election of a trustee to the Whiting Street Fund, to an unexpired term, expiring December 31, 1992.

9. Public Hearings

None

10. Old Business

(a) Orders

1. TOR-92-16-An Ordinance to amend Chapter 32 of the Town Code entitled "Funds," Section 32-2, Whiting Street Fund and Section 32-4, Thomas Pyne Fund (Mayor)(1st Reading).

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT WOULD ESTABLISH JOINT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO ADMINISTER THE WHITING STREET AND THOMAS PYNE FUNDS. (Requires three readings for adoption.)

2. TO-92-33-Transfer-\$5,900.00 from General Reserve Fund (7000-5600-R551) to Building Insp. - Temporary Salaries (2400-5120-R287) (Mayor).

TRANSFER REQUESTED DUE TO INCREASED WORKLOAD IN THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT, BOARD OF APPEALS, WEIGHTS & MEASURES/ CONSUMER ADVISORY OFFICE AND ASSESSOR'S OFFICE TO ALLOW PART-TIME CLERK TO BECOME FULL-TIME.

3. TO-92-34-Transfer-\$950.00 from Assessor - Salaries (1600-5110-R171) to Building Insp. - Temporary Salaries (2400-5120-R287) (Mayor).

REFER TO TO-92-33.

4. TO-92-35-Transfer-\$6,000.00 from General Reserve Fund (7000-5600-R551) to Park & Recreation - Temporary Salaries (3700-5120-R354) (Mayor).

TRANSFER REQUESTED DUE TO INCREASED COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE INCREASED ENROLLMENT IN THE BASKETBALL AND SWIMMING PROGRAMS OF THE AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

Councilor Willis To Hold Office Hours

Town Councilor Joanne H. Willis will hold her monthly office hours at the Agawam Senior Center, 57 Wright Street, on Friday, October 30th, from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m.

Councilor Willis will be available to listen to constituent concerns. All residents are invited to attend.

Councilor Gravel To Hold Office Hours

Town Councilor Nancy Gravel will be holding office hours on Wednesday, November 4th, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Agawam Senior Center.

The public is cordially invited to talk with Councilor Gravel in order to discuss any concerns and issues relating to Agawam and Feeding Hills.

Photographer Jack Devine needs at least 48 hours notice to come and cover your event. Thanks.

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For more information, contact the Agawam Fire Department at 786-2662.

Agawam Police Dept. Arrest Blotter

On October 18th, **Jennifer Chao**, 32 Yale Street, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Gary O'Brien and Edward Connor.

On October 20th, **Duane E. Clark**, 121 Paul Revere Drive, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol, operating after revocation, unregistered and uninsured. Arresting officers were Jim Donovan and Sgt. William Silech.

On October 21st, **Eugene R. Farney**, 6 King Avenue, Agawam, was arrested and charged with outstanding warrants from Massachusetts and Connecticut. Arresting officers were Steven Grasso and Gary O'Brien.

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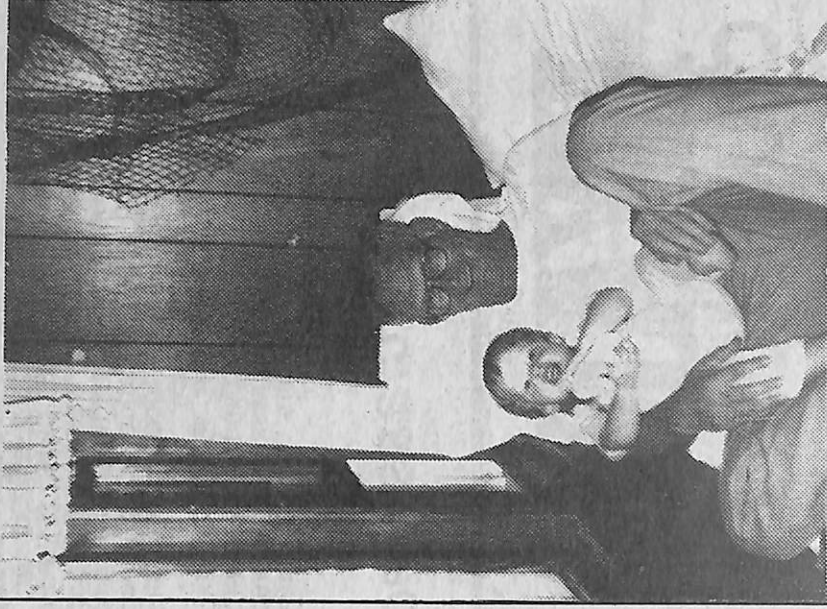
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Though each of us has gone our way
We took comfort in the thought
That you were never far away
When your love alone we sought.

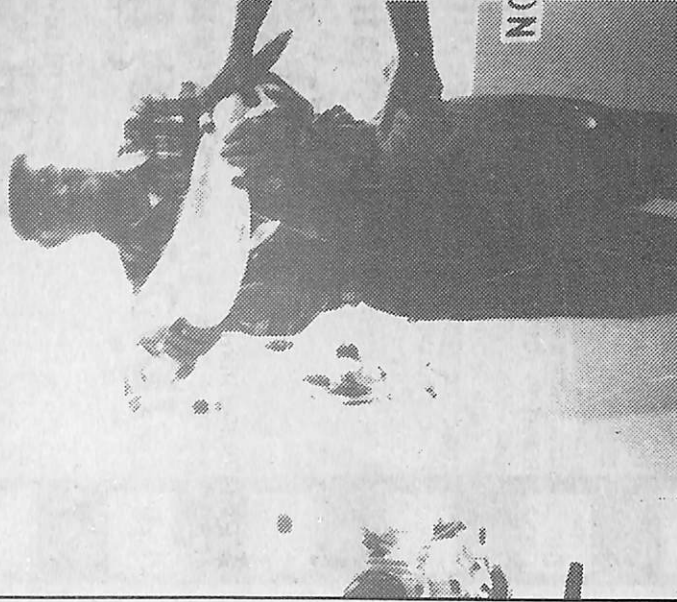
So how am I to face each day
Knowing you will not be there?
Where will I turn to feel your strength,
Your gentle, patient care.

Will I see you in the Autumn sun,
The season you so loved?
Or hear you in the calling birds
The crow, the jay, the dove?

Will I feel you all around me, Dad,
Just walking through the woods?
Will I be strong to make you proud
And do the things I should?

And when it rains all through the night
Will it comfort me to know
That the trout will be a biting
In your favorite fishing hole.

So how can I face each new day
Now that you have gone away?
I'll face them with a smile, Dad,
You're in my heart to stay.



D.B.





Melconian Gets Endorsements From Many

State Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) today announced that she has received several endorsements for re-election from groups that include educators, health care providers, small businesses, and working men and women.

The Massachusetts Teachers Association has urged her re-election. The MTA said that Melconian's "advocacy has been consistent over the years in leading the fight for \$186 million in emergency kindergarten to grade 12 funding; protecting state employee group health insurance; and supporting early retirement incentives."

The Massachusetts Nurses Association said it "enthusiastically and unanimously supports Melconian's election bid" and thanked her for "advocating the concerns of nurses and health care issues."

According to the MNA, this includes co-sponsorship of the Nurse Practice Act; leadership in providing equal access to medical information and health care for men and women; her efforts on behalf of preventative health care for women that requires private insurance coverage of mammograms and pap smears; and early intervention programs for young children.

Small businesses, including the Massachusetts Restaurant Association, have praised her leadership as "as an independent voice for consumers and small business" in Greater Springfield with her new small business group insurance law. This provides a more affordable health insurance market for small business and their employees.

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SUPPORTERS OF STATE SENATOR Linda J. Melconian were out in force last weekend holding signs to support her reelection bid. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Linda Melconian, candidate for Mass. State Senate;

Michael Walsh, candidate for Mass. House of Representatives.

The Committee believes that these candidates, both incumbent and non-incumbent, will best represent the interests of the people of Western Massachusetts and of the nation.

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Neal Supporters Out In Force At Ag. Bridge



CONGRESSMAN RICHARD E. NEAL (center) and a large group of his supporters were holding signs at the Agawam Bridge this past Saturday morning. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Caplin Ties Opponent To Big Industry

Bill Caplin, candidate for the State Senate in the First Hampden District, has cited another example of Senator Linda Melconian's ties to big industry against the interest of the citizens.

The State Ethics Commission has fined the Massachusetts Candy & Tobacco Distributors Inc. \$2,000 for violating state conflict of interest law by "winning and dining" at least 17 legislators at a charity event on August 13th, 1991 on the Massachusetts shore.

Melconian reported attending the event. Catherine Bromberg, an Ethics Commission spokeswoman, said charges were not lodged against the Legislators because of lack of resources. "We'd have to investigate legislators individually and prove they accepted a gift ... and we simply don't have the resources to do that."

Caplin is outraged that this incident comes at a time when the industry is waging war with a citizen's group over a ballot question, Question 1, which would increase the tax on cigarettes.

Caplin is outraged that once again Melconian is profiting from her position—which may position her to misrepresent the wishes of her constituents.

"As a 10-year incumbent, Melconian is well aware of the rules, and yet she has been linked to this investigation."

Caplin continued, "The inequality of this situation is additional that the association has been fined and the politicians get off scot-free."

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The Professional Firefighters of Massachusetts stated about Melconian, "Her voting record and leadership abilities have served to improve not only the working conditions of firefighters, but also the welfare of their widows and children."

"Senator Melconian was a leader in passing various legislation that reforms the pension system, reporting of infectious diseases and restoration of a form of binding arbitration (most recently, the cancer presumption legislation). Clearly, the firefighters have a legislator concerned for their well-being."

Pioneer Valley Building and Construction Trades Council and the Teamsters Joint Council Number 10 each have endorsed Melconian.

These endorsements were based upon "her impressive labor record and her concern for the average working man and woman."

Furthermore, the Pioneer Valley Trades Council pointed out, "Linda Melconian will listen to and address the concerns of all working people in the 1st Hampden District and the Commonwealth."

"Linda understands that the most important issue to voters in the district is the retention and cultivation of jobs. The people of the 1st Hampden District need a senator who can relate to lay-offs, public education cuts, and the need for good jobs for working people. Linda Melconian has addressed these problems and is the candidate who can and will work towards solving them."

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Education Group Endorses Neal

The Committee for Education Funding (CEF), a coalition of national associations which advocates for increased investment in federal education programs, has named Second District Congressman Richard E. Neal to its Education Honor Roll for the 102nd Congress.

CEF's Education Honor Roll includes members of Congress who represent varied constituencies across the nation, all who view education as one of their top concerns.

"Congressman Neal has proven to be a true champion of education by voting to devote desperately needed dollars to programs that benefit students of all ages," said Arnold Mitchem, CEF President and Executive Director of the National Council of Education Opportunity Associations.

Mitchem added, "He (Neal) represents the core group of education supporters who, at every opportunity, voted both to dedicate federal resources to our nation's students and to oppose budget strategies that would thwart public investment in education."

In response to being named to CEF's Honor Roll, Congressman Neal stated, "I was pleased to learn that the Committee for Education Funding has named me to their Honor Roll for the 102nd Congress."

"As a former educator, I know that investment in our education system is vitally important. As a member of Congress, I will continue to fight for the interests of American students and their families."

The Committee for Education Funding has worked to make education funding a national priority since 1969. Its membership includes every major education association, and many individual institutions, agencies, and organizations whose interests range from preschool to postgraduate education in both public and private sectors.

As the largest education coalition in existence, CEF serves as a unified and strong voice for the entire education community on issues affecting education and related program funding.

Caplin Endorsed By Weld & Cellucci

Bill Caplin, Republican candidate for the State Senate in the First Hampden District, has received the Weld administration's endorsement, presented by Lieutenant Governor A. Paul Cellucci at a recent meeting on the Hampden County Court House steps.

The Lieutenant Governor stressed the great optimism that the Weld administration has on the prospect of increasing the Republican strength in the Senate.

"We believe Bill Caplin is a viable candidate and will give strength to the Republican party," said Cellucci. "We feel that Bill's support of our economic policies, our strong stand on a woman's fundamental right to choose, and his support of Governor Weld's efforts towards true auto insurance reform, is an asset to our team," he continued.

Caplin said, "I am very pleased that Lieutenant Governor Cellucci saw the importance of my candidacy and decided to come out and help our campaign efforts. I know that the administration's endorsement will help solidify our efforts and give us the final push needed to bring success on November 3rd."

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Caplin Again Bangs Melconian On Auto Insurance

Bill Caplin, Republican candidate for the State Senate in the First Hampden District, is outraged with Senator Linda Melconian's denial of her responsibility for the problems with the Massachusetts automobile insurance system.

In a debate on Channel 57 that was aired on Saturday, October 17th, Melconian stated the current system is "rotten to the core" and agreed that rates have continued to rise in Western Mass., and that Western Mass. subsidizes Eastern Mass.

"Where has Melconian been for the past decade as a member of the Senate Insurance Committee, and as the Chair of the committee for the past six years?" Caplin demands.

Massachusetts has the second highest auto insurance rates in the nation and the highly touted 1988 auto insurance reform bill actually boosted future years' premiums while decreasing our coverages.

"This 10 year neglect of responsibility to the voters of Western Mass. is a slap in the face to us all," continues Caplin. "Does Senator Melconian really believe that the consumers are unaware of their increasing auto insurance costs and are naive about the connection of the lawyers and insurance PACs?"

"The nearly \$11,000 in PAC money that Melconian received in 1991 adds to her legacy of supporting this system that she calls 'rotten to the core,'" states Caplin. "In 1991, and thus far in 1992, the attorneys and insurance PACs have contributed over 30% to the Melconian campaign," states Caplin.

Melconian's new plan, which will scrap the current system, will not save dollars and will devastate the elderly, who are least able to withstand additional expenses, by adding medical deductibles and co-insurance to their accident

expenses.

During the debate, Melconian tried to shift the importance of this issue by citing that only 5% of the elderly are going to be affected, completely ignoring the 650,000 citizens of Massachusetts who have no health care insurance at all. Caplin asks, "Who will cover these people's costs?"

Caplin believes he has the ability to "tighten up the current no-fault system and introduce a competitive system in Massachusetts.

"If we bring in competition, we will see the same results that we have seen with the airlines—lower rates. The life insurance industry has had the same experience—I can purchase life insurance today cheaper than I could 10 or 15 years ago, because there is healthy competition in the industry and the government has not seen fit to over-regulate!" continues Caplin.

Ravosa Demands That Neal Apologize For Aide's Comments

Second District Congressional candidate Anthony W. Ravosa, Jr. has again demanded that incumbent Congressman Richard Neal apologize for recent statements made by individuals on both his federally-paid staff and within his political organization. Ravosa also demanded Kevin Kennedy, an aide on Neal's Congressional staff, be fired from his job.

Kennedy recently told the media that Ravosa campaign staffers had quit because of "bounced pay checks." Ravosa called Kennedy's charge "an outright lie, mean-spirited, and a vicious attempt to smear my campaign."

Ravosa also questioned the conduct of Neal's campaign manager, Melinda Phelps, in defending Kennedy's statements, saying, "It's hard to believe that Ms. Phelps is an attorney in light of her comments; she clearly has difficulty living up to the ethical canons that come with that title." He added, "Her behavior, like Kennedy's, is deplorable."

A couple of weeks ago, the Ravosa campaign made a strategic decision to reduce paid staff in order to consolidate resources for the final 2½ weeks of the race.

"The three employees that were laid off completely understood, left amiably, and two of them continue to act in a voluntary capacity with the campaign," said Ravosa, adding, "At no time was a check bounced to any of them."

He went on to say, "For anyone on Congressman Neal's staff to make a charge about bouncing checks is like the pot calling the kettle black. He bounced 87 checks at the House Bank totalling \$37,000; \$17,000 worth of those checks were written out to 'cash' for 'household' expenses."

Ravosa continued, "Mr. Neal's House Bank account should be re-examined based upon Internal Revenue Service rules for interest-free loans and other questionable checks written during the same period."

He concluded, "I made the decision not to go into debt for this campaign. I don't have access to the kind of PAC money that Congressman Neal has enjoyed over the years. I will deliver the best message that I possibly can to the voters of the Second Congressional District through the contributions that I receive."

"This is a lesson that Mr. Neal and his friends in Congress need to learn. Live within your means; it's not necessary to go into debt ... just cut back expenses."

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TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing at the Agawam Middle School Cafeteria, 68 Main Street, Agawam on Thursday, November 5, 1992 at 6:30 P.M. o'clock for all parties interested in the appeal of STEVEN W. KIDRICK who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-71 of the Zoning Ordinances to allow for the retention of a storage building that has been found to lie in the 100 year flood plain at the premises identified as 23 KATHARINE DRIVE.

By order of the Board of Appeals
Ronald Hebert, Chairman

Published: October 29, 1992

Chris Johnson Endorses Bill Caplin

Dear Friend:

This year, the voters in our community will have a chance to make a change in the State Senate, a change that will help put an end to the tax and spend mentality on Beacon Hill, and that change is Bill Caplin. Bill is the Republican challenger for the First Hampden District State Senate seat presently held by Linda Melconian.

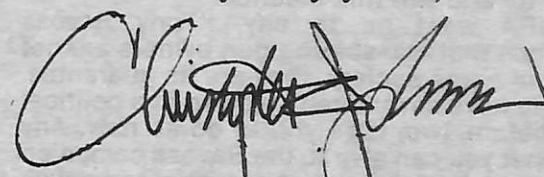
Bill is a business owner, a husband, a father and an active member of the community. Bill shares our concerns for the future, and he has good ideas to solve our problems and get our economy moving again. Bill wants to help put the people and the businesses of the First Hampden District back on their feet again, and he needs your support to do it.

Bill supports building the tax base by strengthening our businesses through investment tax credits, and easing ridiculous and cumbersome regulations. He believes that Massachusetts needs to attract new industries, and not continue to drive them away.

Bill has been active with Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), and a board member of Greater Springfield Senior Services. He has first-hand experience lobbying for tougher drunk driving legislation, and he has first-hand knowledge of the needs of our elderly population.

I am confident that Bill will make a difference for the First Hampden District, and that is why I am supporting Bill Caplin on Tuesday, November 3rd and I hope that you will too.

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Agawam Democrats Gather For Annual Breakfast



CONGRESSMAN RICHARD NEAL is pictured with an old friend, William Kozak of Feeding Hills, owner and operator of Alexander's Restaurant on North Westfield Street. The two grew up in the same neighborhood in Springfield. Neal was attending a Democratic Breakfast this past Sunday morning at Alexander's. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



STATE REP. MICHAEL P. WALSH (left) and Congressman Richard Neal are pictured with Agawam Town Council President Joanne Willis and Councilor Thomas Ennis, Jr., at the Democratic Breakfast last Sunday at Alexander's Restaurant. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Ravosa Endorsed By National Rifle Asso.

Second District Congressional candidate Anthony W. Ravosa, Jr. has announced that he has received the endorsement of the National Rifle Association of America. Ravosa called the NRA's support "significantly important in light of the number of gun enthusiasts, hunters, and sportsmen from Agawam to Bellingham."

In a letter sent throughout Massachusetts' Second Congressional District, David W. Gibbons, the NRA's Director of Federal Affairs, urged all its members to actively support Ravosa in his bid to unseat incumbent Congressman Richard Neal.

In its endorsement, the National Rifle Association called upon its members to "provide Ravosa with an overwhelming victory in the November 3rd general election." The endorsement also stated that "the anti-gun incumbent Richard Neal is not going to surrender this seat without a fight. Neal will use every means and every dollar of his war-chest, to try and win this election."

The NRA went on to say, "Tony Ravosa understands that law-abiding gun owners are not a danger in a free society, they are its guarantee. Even if you have never been involved in a political contest before, (we) urge you to do so now. Any support that you can give to the Ravosa campaign stands as a visible signal that gun owners are willing to work to preserve their rights."

Gibbons concluded, "By electing Tony Ravosa to the U.S. House of Representatives, you can help guarantee that the rights you enjoy are here for your children."

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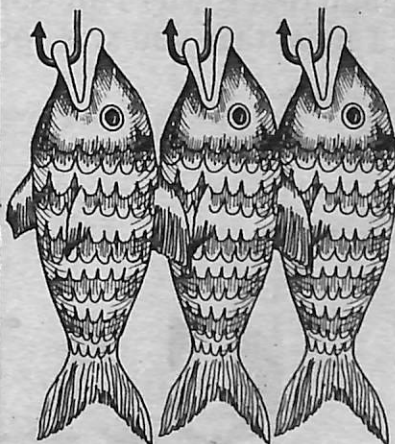
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing at the Agawam Middle School Cafeteria, 68 Main St., Agawam, on Thursday, November 12, 1992, at 6:30 P.M. o'clock, for all parties interested in the appeal of CHARLES A. AND CATHY F. CALABRESE, who are seeking a Special Use Permit exception in accordance with Section 180-11 of the Zoning Ordinances, which would allow for the construction of a duplex, at the premises identified as 64-66 GARDEN STREET.

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THE DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE HAS endorsed the candidacies of Michael P. Walsh for State Rep.; Richard E. Neal, Congress; and Linda J. Melconian, State Senate. The three candidates are pictured with Town Councilors George Bitzas (left) and Louis Russo (right) at last Sunday's Democratic Breakfast. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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Gubby & Friends Plan Scleroderma Benefit

On Wednesday, November 4th, a beer and pizza party for scleroderma research will take place at the Dante Club on Memorial Drive, West Springfield. This event will be the last one for 1992.

Donations are \$4.99 per ticket, and servings will run from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. The motto is all you can eat and drink, or until something runs out.

Two-hundred and fifty people are expected to participate. At this time, there are 40 tickets still available; the only tickets to be sold at the door are returns. This event has been very successful in the past and, hopefully, it will be a sellout.

At the annual meeting in New Castle, Pennsylvania, four people from this area attended and presented the International Foundation with a check for \$8,000 and received a standing ovation. Attending that meeting were Tom and Adrienne Frasco, Don Bellevue, and Gubby Borgatti.

Two "out-of-town" couples will be attending the beer and pizza party; Bill and Kathy Place from Quakerstown, Pennsylvania, and Cy and Lori Malley from Hazleton, New Jersey, want to see for themselves how the party is operated in order to raise such a large amount of money. Both Bill and Cy have scleroderma, which is rare because 95% of the people who have this disease are women.

Many supporters for this cause have commented that the pizza is the best they have ever eaten. "Our committee makes all the pizzas, and members put the toppings on them," says the chairman.

For tickets, you can call Gubby at 786-2843. The committee wishes to thank the Dante Club and the *Agawam Advertiser News* for their cooperation.

Building Healthy Home At Ag. Church Of Bible

Parents looking for guidelines to build healthy homes are invited to the meetings of Agawam Church of the Bible.

For the month of November, Pastor Roger Martin will be sharing Biblical guidelines for healthy homes in a series entitled, "Home Improvements." Below are some of the titles:

* "Home Sweet Home": God's Blueprint for the Family (November 1st).

* "Home Alone": How God Heals Hurting Homes (November 15th).

* "Home for the Holidays": How a Home Can Honor God During the Holidays (November 22nd).

Agawam Church of the Bible provides a quality nursery and an exciting Bible-teaching time for children (ages three to 10) called the "Good News Gang." The church meets each Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. at the Agawam Junior High School on Springfield Street.

For more information, call the church at 789-2904.

Enjoying A Great Chicken Dinner



ENJOYING THEIR CHICKEN DINNERS cooked by chefs at the Valley Community Church are Eileen Marsolais and James Borgo. RELATED PHOTO ON PREVIOUS PAGE.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Annual Holiday Bazaar At F.H. Grange

Community Grange No. 382 of Feeding Hills will hold its annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, November 7th. The hours will be 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Grange Hall is located at 47 North West Street.

Items being prepared include handmade sweaters, mittens, hats, ornaments, wreaths, needlework, etc. Plants and baked goods will also be available; be sure to come early for the best

selection of items for your home or for holiday gift-giving.

The ladies of the Grange will be raffling a beautiful blue-tone, full-size handmade quilt. Tickets may be purchased at the bazaar, or you may contact any Grange member.

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Caregiving Ministry At Ag. Congregational

A Caregiving Ministry is beginning at Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam. This Sunday, November 1st, six church members will be commissioned during the 10:30 service.

Laurie Alfano, Sue Fuchs, Betty Pond, Natalie Whitmarsh, Lindelee Davis, and Jean Clifford will begin their visitations to homes, hospitals, and nursing homes in November. Marion Hansen, part-time chaplain at Hartford Hospital, directed this seven-week training program. She will preach the commissioning sermon, entitled "My Spirit Is With You, Fear Not!"

The Wednesday Night Service at the church is at 7:00 p.m., with the R.E.L.A.T.E. series following at 7:30 p.m. The R.E.L.A.T.E. series is open to all.

They're here! The 175th Anniversary Church Cookbooks, "Breaking Bread Together," have been delivered.

Over 100 have already been purchased—don't miss out, buy your copies today! They will be available at the Coffee Hours after service, as well as in the church office.

Come and pick up your copies. Cost is \$8.50 per copy. You may call the church office to reserve copies, 786-7111.

On Friday, October 30th, from 7:00 to 10:30 p.m., the church's Jr. and Sr. High Youth Groups will be sponsoring a Halloween Dance/Party that is open to all. Admission is \$2 for adults (plus a canned good), and \$1 for youths (plus a canned good).

There will be dancing, games, and refreshments served. Come and enjoy a night of fun and don't forget to dress as your favorite Halloween character. All are welcome.

This fall, the Agawam Congregational Church will be starting its 1993 Stewardship Campaign. The members of the church are excited about their "whistle-stop" program that will have the "train" stopping at homes with a mailbag with information on the Stewardship Campaign.

The church's "conductors" will answer any questions you might have. They are: Carol Treganowan, Susan LaFleur, Matthew Blackak, Floyd & Phyllis Bryan, Jessie Fuller, Cindy Sanford, Carl Perkins, Robert Webb, Marion Pond, Clem Hobbs, Jean Tharin, and Dand Fuller.

Also, Tom & Diane Erskine, Grace Tilden, Elaine Watson, Nancy Modzelewski, Richard Bassett, Cathy Gomes, Bill Spring, Allen Runshaw, Debbie Blackak, Stuart Kibbe Jr., Bill & Peg Zerbipolous, Judi Brosseau, Janice Schermerhorn, Amy Pedersen, Jim Randolph, and Warren & Ann Tapply.

New Members Installed By Ag. Junior Women

At the October meeting of the Agawam Junior Women's Club, six new members were installed, including: Jamie Roy, Carol Patrick, Susan Conlon, Carolyn LaChappelle, Dolores Martin, and Denise Moffatt.

The club is pleased to welcome them and hopes they will find membership rewarding. Along with new members from September, the club has grown by 11 members.

Monthly meetings of the Junior Women's Club are held the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Captain Charles Leonard House, Main Street, Agawam. Guests and prospective members are always welcome.

For more information, call Liz Taylor at 789-1320. The club welcomes new members interested in making friends while serving the community.

The Agawam Junior Women's Club is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, and the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Massachusetts.

Holiday Sing-Along By F.H. Congo

As the holiday season draws closer, the Feeding Hills Congregational Church is planning its second annual Holiday Sing-along.

This year, we will gather to sing on the front lawn between the church and parsonage. In addition to the singers, there are plans to include a small group of instrumentalists.

After the music, warm drinks and delicious homemade treats will be served in Griswold Hall inside the church.

All are welcome to come on Saturday, December 13th, at 6:00 p.m. to share in celebrating this special time of song and fellowship with friends and neighbors.

Early Halloween At F.H. Congregational



AN EARLY HALLOWEEN was held at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church on Saturday, October 24th, sponsored by the Christian Education Board/Sunday School. The party was held in the Social Studies Hall. Bill Rose (on floor), chairman of the Christian Education board, is pictured with the assortment of vampires, princesses, and ghoulies.

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Ag. Golden Age Clubs' November Calendar

November 4th—Chapter 2: Regular meeting at 1:30 with our guest, Mr. Paradise from the Paramount Resort in the Catskills, to show slides of their renovated facilities.

November 6th—Chapter 1: Board of Directors' meeting at 1:00 p.m. at the Senior Center.

November 9th—Chapter 2: Trip to the North Shore Theatre to enjoy the "Welk Show." Lunch included.

November 11th—Chapter 1: Regular meeting - CANCELLED.

November 12th—Chapter 1: Trip to the North Shore Theatre to enjoy the "Welk Show." Lunch included.

November 18th—Chapter 2: Regular meeting at 1:30 with our guest, Mr. George Bitzas, who will show slides of Greece.

November 24th—Chapter 1: Trip to the North Shore Theatre to enjoy the "Debbie Reynolds Show." Lunch included.

November 25th—Chapter 1: Regular meeting at 1:30 with Gift Bingo.

November 27th—Chapter 2: Board of Directors' meeting at 1:00 p.m. at the Senior Center.

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by David Lanquist, Pastor
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Christ is the Light of Life. He enlightens us with the truth that is eternal, bequeathing us wisdom for the journey. He sheds His light upon what is truly valuable so that we can pursue those things which are profitable, not foolishly chasing empty dreams or false, deceiving philosophies.

When you have Christ, you have it all—meaning, purpose, life in its fullest sense, truth, and wisdom. You belong to the Creator, Sustainer, and End of all things.

Agawam Churches Gather For CROP Walk

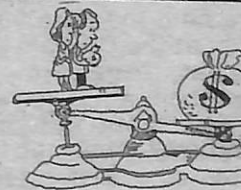


MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM LIONS CLUB served refreshments to those who participated in the Annual CROP Walk on Sunday, October 18th. From left - Roger Jones (president), Mike Alvaro, Robert Gravel, Norm Iacolo, Harry Camyre, and George Fedora. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LOCAL OFFICIALS who participated in the October 18th CROP Walk included, from left - Town Councilor James Taylor, State Rep. Michael P. Walsh, TV-40's Paul Sutton, TV-40's Ray Hershel, State Senator Linda Melconian, Mayor Christopher C. Johnson, Town Councilor George Bitzas, and Bud Hardy. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Pietroniro Family Thanks Businesses For Collection Canisters

On behalf of Michael Pietroniro and family, the Michael Pietroniro Trust Fund Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the local businesses that allowed the placement of collection canisters in their establishments. A total of \$2,360.40 has been collected since May.

The committee's expresses sincere thanks to the following:

Agawam Spirit Shoppe, Agawam Opticians, American Legion, Amanda's, Alvin's, Bruno's, Cheers, Colonial News, EB's, Federal Hill Club, Feeding Hills Public Market, Fran's, Gino's Package Store, Partners, Piggy's Pizza, Pride, Valenti's.

Also, Parthenon, The Elbow, Wimpy's, Movie Mart, Waniewski's, Southgate Liquors, Feeding Hills Pharmacy, Pioggia's, Town and Country Liquors, Wes's Package Store, and Village Lounge.

In addition, the committee would like to give a great big "THANKS" to Piggy's Pizza and Fitness First for their very successful fundraising efforts.

Piggy's Pizza sponsored a car show in their parking lot to help raise money for Michael. The response was tremendous! Thanks to Zed and Michelle for all their hard work, and a special thank you to the owners of 102 cars that came to help Michael—\$400 was raised in three hours!

Meanwhile, Fitness First in Feeding Hills held a fundraiser in which all the participants collected pledges for various events throughout the day. In one day, the members of Fitness First "pumped" \$1,900 into Michael's trust fund!

Once again, our sincere thanks to everyone!!!

Resident Meets Barbara Bush In Worcester



AGAWAM RESIDENT LOREN MONTAGNA met First Lady Barbara Bush at a recent fundraiser in Worcester.

Daughters Of Isabella Plan Nov. 4th Supper

Loyalty Circle No. 356, Daughters of Isabella, will hold a covered dish supper on November 4th at 6:30 p.m. at Knights of Columbus Hall, Park Avenue, West Springfield.

Regent Janice Couture will hold a short business meeting. Games will follow the supper and meeting.

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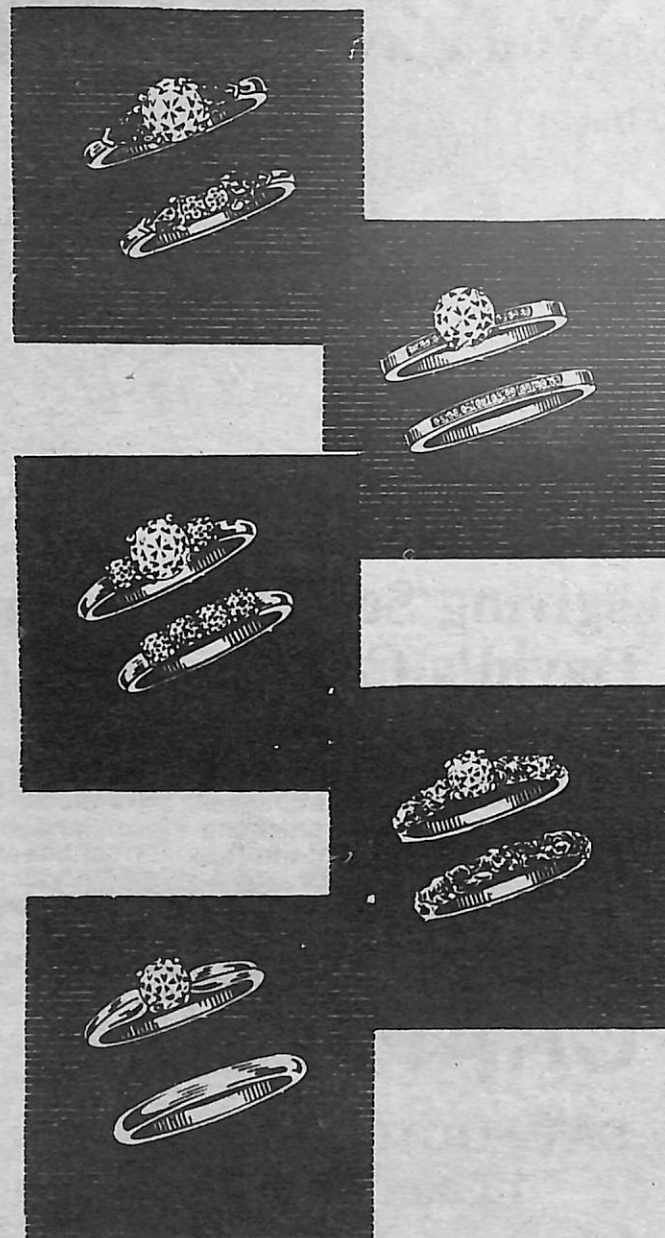
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4-H LEADERS Sue Bonini, Maryellen Sullivan, and Pat Bertone-Gross receive a proclamation from Mayor Christopher C. Johnson on "4-H Day" in Agawam on October 16th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MAYOR CHRISTOPHER C. JOHNSON is pictured with Zofia Demko (Agawam's "Mrs. 4-H") and members of the Fantastic 4-Hers on "4-H Day" in Agawam. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM 4-H CLUB MEMBERS Kimberly Sullivan, Christine Gallant, and Sarah Bonini promote National 4-H Week on October 16th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam 4-H Club Honors National Week

Local dignitaries, 4-H volunteers, and members of the Agawam 4-H club recently joined together to celebrate Nation 4-H Week.

October 16th, 1992 was proclaimed "4-H Day in Agawam" by Mayor Christopher Johnson at a reception held at the Agawam Public Library. The mayor was presented with a banner by the local 4-Hers.

Leading the Pledge of Allegiance for the ceremony were Kimberly Sullivan and Julie Vooys, while Ryan Sullivan led the 4-H Pledge. Sarah Bonini interpreted in sign language.

The following presentations were made:
To Mary Phelon, Extension Specialist, 4-H Youth Development, by Amanda Fox.

To Mrs. Zofia Demko, a longtime 4-H volunteer and supporter, known as "Mrs. 4-H" in Agawam, by Kate and Michael Theroux.

To Jim and Sue Wright, representatives of the Hampden County 4-H Fair, by Christine Gallant.

To State Representative Michael Walsh, for his support of 4-H, by Seth Bertone-Gross.

Susan Bonini and Maryellen Sullivan, both of Feeding Hills, were presented with citations from Rep. Michael Walsh. Both 4-H volunteers were recently honored at a State House reception.

The Fantastic 4-Hers of Agawam held their organizational meeting on October 23rd at the Agawam Congregational Church. The following officers were elected for the 1992-93 club year:

President, Seth Bertone-Gross; Vice-President, Kate Theroux; Corresponding Secretary, Jennifer McGuire; Recording Secretary, Amanda Fox; Treasurer, Kimberly Sullivan; Recreation Director, Laura Tisdell, and Assistant, Michael Theroux.

The following leaders assist with the club that offers projects in clothing and stitchery, crafts, foods, rocketry, and physical fitness:

Pat Bertone-Gross, Doris Schuh, Hilary Weisgerber, Rick Sullivan, and Maryellen Sullivan.

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Thanksgiving Service At St. David's Church

The town's annual Thanksgiving service will be held at the First Baptist Church on Sunday, November 22nd, at 7:00 p.m. Reverend Len Cowan, Rector of St. David's Church, will speak. Town clergy and Mayor Johnson will participate.

A special treat will be the singing of the Russian Evangelical Baptist Church Choir. All residents and their friends are invited to attend. Refreshments will follow.

Community Grange Has Nov. Card Parties

Community Grange No. 382 of Feeding Hills wishes to announce that it will be holding its regular card parties on two upcoming Thursdays, November 5th and 19th. The parties start at 7:30 p.m. and will be held at the Grange Hall, 47 North West Street.

Betty Collins and Zoafia Demko are the committee members who'll direct the card playing and serve refreshments.

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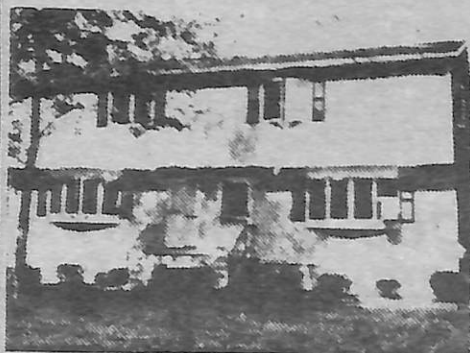
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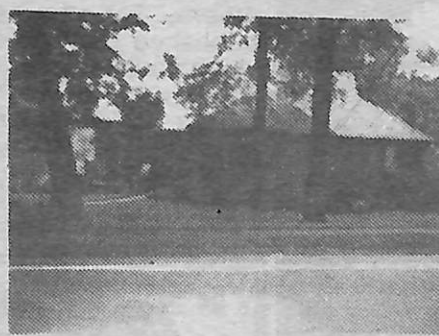
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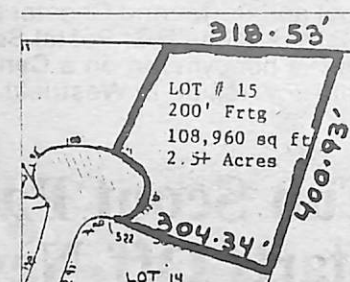
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Marilyn Cannata Weds Frederick A. Harpin

St. John the Evangelist Church in Agawam was the setting for the recent marriage of Marilyn Vincent Cannata and Frederick A. Harpin, Jr., with Father Michael Devlin officiating. Following the ceremony, a reception was held at Storowton Carriage House in West Springfield.

Attending the bride as maid of honor was her niece, April Vincent. Bridesmaids were Susan and Lori Harpin, sisters of the groom, and Linda Hanlon.

The best man was Dan Harpin, brother of the groom. Ushers were Jeff Wands, Bernie Petrone, and John Mulvaney.

The bride is a graduate of West Springfield High School and attended Holyoke Community College. The groom is a graduate of Agawam High School and Porter and Chester Institute. Both are employees of the U.S. Postal Service in Agawam.

After a honeymoon on a Caribbean cruise, the couple now reside in Westfield.

Cub Scout Pack 77 Starts Off New Year With Halloween Party

Cub Scout Pack 77, from St. John's Church, started off the new year with a Halloween Pack Meeting. All the dens and their leaders dressed in costume.

They had witches, Count Dracula, cowboys, Indians, old men and monsters, too. Robin Hood and his merry men were on hand to enjoy the party, also.

There is an exciting and fun filled year planned, with many family activities and fundraisers coming up.

On November 7th, Pack 77 is planning a Bowl-A-Thon at Agawam Lanes. All the boys will be seeking sponsors for the event. There will be great prizes to be won by all. They are hoping for the same great turnout as last year.

The scouts will be collecting food for the Open Pantry from November 14th-21st. They hope to top the amount collected last year. Any donations may be dropped off at St. John's Church on November 21st.

There will be an Oldie's Dance on Friday, November 20th at the Springfield Turnverein on Garden Street, Feeding Hills. The dance will be held from 8:00 p.m. to midnight. Tickets will be available at the door for a donation of \$8, or may be obtained by calling Judy at 789-2410. A great time was had by all last year. They are hoping to see you there.

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Annual Country Bazaar Being Planned By Agawam United Methodist Church

Plans are now complete for the Agawam United Methodist Church's Annual Country Bazaar, which will be held on Saturday, November 7th.

Featuring homemade crafts, candy and baked goods, knitwear, and Christmas items, the bazaar will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the church (located on Route 57 near Agawam High School). Also for sale will be attic treasures, toys, and plants, and a snack bar will be open for light lunches.

The bazaar committee includes Pauline Mickey, Frances Fearn, Esther Jenks, Ruth Johnson, and others. The new cookbook, "Special Recipes," published by the local United Methodist women, will be available.

This Sunday, November 1st, children's Sunday

School begins at 9:30 a.m. at Agawam United Methodist Church for infants through grade eight. New worshippers and Sunday School children are especially welcome. Lillian Haidemenos and Jean Hill are Co-Superintendents of the study program.

In addition, Mornship Worship begins at 9:30 a.m. this Sunday with the celebration of Holy Communion and All Saints' Day. Pastor Laurence Hill's sermon will be "So Who's a Saint?" Mrs. Love Ashton will direct the choir.

Agawam United Methodist Church always invites the public to partake of its fellowship; its goal is to be a vibrant congregation committed to family and Christian principles. For more information, call Pastor Laurence Hill, 786-5278, or Lay Leader Percy Mickey, 786-7991.

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Corinna Buoniconti Weds Mr. McPartland

Corinna Rose Buoniconti and Denis Paul McPartland were wed recently in Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills. The groom's uncle, Reverend Father Guy McPartland, performed the ceremony along with Reverend Father David Joyce.

Gina Marie Buoniconti, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor and Brendan McPartland, the groom's brother, was the best man.

A wedding reception was held at The Coliseum in West Springfield.

Parents of the bride are Anthony and Peggy Buoniconti of 13 Holland Drive in Agawam. The bride's grandparents are Edith and Leo Grimaldi of Garden Street, Feeding Hills.

The groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McPartland, are of Tenafly, New Jersey.

Following a honeymoon trip to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, the couple will reside in Piermont, New York.



MR. & MRS. DENIS MCPARTLAND



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Stetsons Celebrate 50th Anniversary

On October 18th, the Stetson family celebrated a 50th anniversary with many relatives and friends at the Italian Sporting Club in Agawam.

Celebrating their Golden Jubilee were Russell P. and Stella N. (Bednarz) Stetson of South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills.

Russell (Rusty) and Stella were married on October 15, 1942 in Russell, Mass.

Rusty is a lifelong resident of Agawam, a World War II veteran and was employed by Deloghia Trucking Co., Agawam for over 40 years. Stella, originally from Chicopee, was an employee of Waldbaum's Food Mart for 27 years.

They have three children; Carol Pignatare of Agawam, Russell Jr. of West Springfield, and Judith Korbel of Ludlow; and seven grandchildren.

Gina M. Buoniconti Engaged To Mr. Payne

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Buoniconti, Jr. of Agawam are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Gina Marie Buoniconti, to Neil G. Payne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Payne of Nova Scotia, Canada.

The bride-to-be graduated from the University of Vermont, majoring in psychology and received her masters degree in psychology from Springfield College. She is currently employed as a clinical therapist in New Haven, Connecticut.

Her fiancé graduated from Acadia University in Canada, majoring in chemistry and received his PhD in chemistry from Yale University. He is currently employed as an environmental scientist in New Haven.

A September 1994 wedding is planned.



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Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for senior citizens and children under 16, and free for children under three and Massachusetts Audubon members. The Education Center is open from 12:00 noon to 4:30 p.m.; The Wildlife Exhibits close at 4:00 p.m.

November 1st: Plant and Animal Disguises: Plants that look and smell like meat, insects that look like plants and songbirds that sound like hawks are examples of survival "tricks." Discover organism which celebrate Halloween all year round!

November 8th: Swamp Walk: No mosquitos, no flies, no sweat! This afternoon exploration into Laughing Brook swampland promises to be a real delight. Be prepared to get your feet wet while investigating skunk cabbage, ferns and tiny aquatic organisms.

November 15th: Birding From Your Window: Watching cardinals, titmice and chickadees from your window can be a relaxing pastime. Learn about the different species of birds likely to visit your feeder, their habits and diets.

November 22nd: Camouflage and Coloration: The many colors of nature all have their purposes. Some are for warning, others for camouflage. Games and activities will demonstrate the various roles of color and patterns in nature.

November 29th: Animal Tracks: Explore the banks of Laughing Brook for animal tracks. Who made these tracks? What stories do they tell? This afternoon's walk will be the source of many tales.

For further information on "Sunday Afternoons on the Sanctuary" or a copy of Laughing Brook's current newsletter, call (413) 566-8034.

Friendship Party Dance At Turnverein Nov. 6th

The Second Annual Center for Human Development (C.H.D.) Friendship Party Dance will be held on Friday evening, November 6th at the Springfield Turnverein located off Garden Street in Feeding Hills from 8:00 p.m. until midnight.

C.H.D. is the largest provider of human services in Western Mass. The agency provides many services, such as: foster care, residence for the mentally disabled, support workshops for the mentally disabled, education for troubled adolescents, shelter for battered women and children, and protective services for children and infants. The agency annually provides help to an average of 6,000 individuals.

Each year at this time, various groups of friends of C.H.D. conduct Friendship Parties for the benefit of the agency. These parties take on various forms, from luncheons to this dance.

Last year, this dance raised over \$2,500 for the agency. Again this year, all proceeds will be donated to the agency. A check presentation will be made to an official of the agency at the completion of the raffle.

Tickets can be obtained from Joan C. Shuman at 786-8123, or can be bought at the door. Ticket price is \$10 per person. All proceeds go to C.H.D. Hope to see you there.

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from the bottom of my heart to secure me this necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh show me my mother Oh Mary conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse to thee. (3) Sweet Mother I place this cause in your hands (8 times). Thank you for your mercy to me and mine, Amen. This prayer must be said for three days and then publish.

M.F.G.

For copies of photographs in this edition, contact photographer Jack Devine at 789-0053. He has all the negatives and will be happy to help you - AAN!!!

Sutton Honored By MS For Good Works



PAUL SUTTON (center) of Agawam, weatherman for TV-40, was honored recently for his dedication to the Multiple Sclerosis Society. MS Chairman of the Board, James J. Dunlop, and Susan Wornick of TV-5 in Boston (who was also honored), are pictured with Sutton.

Nocturnal Adoration F.H. Women's Club To Gather In West Side To Meet Nov. 3rd

The Nocturnal Adoration Society of Agawam and West Springfield will meet at St. Louis De France Church in West Springfield to pray the office of The Blessed Sacrament on Friday, November 6th from 9:00 p.m. thru Saturday, November 7th at 6:00 a.m.

Reverend Daniel Liston will open the devotion with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Assisting him will be Thomas Murray.

All are invited to spend an hour in prayers of adoration to The Most Blessed Sacrament.

The November meeting of the Feeding Hills Women's Club will be held at the Grange Hall on North West Street on November 3rd at 7:30 p.m.

President Phyllis Jacques and the hostesses for the evening—Peg LaFontaine, Florence Blish, Elise Bradway, and Mary Racher—will make the evening very pleasant.

The program for the evening will be the delightful Baptist Bell Ringers. Don't miss it! Friends are always welcome.

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150,000	15,000	75,000	30,000	500,000	1,000	319
175,000	17,500	87,500	35,000	500,000	1,000	380
200,000	20,000	100,000	40,000	500,000	1,000	418
225,000	22,500	112,500	45,000	500,000	1,000	448
250,000	25,000	125,000	50,000	500,000	1,000	474
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Heritage Hall Nursing Home News & Activities

Laura Jean DeFlumera Heritage Hall South Volunteer of the Week

Laura Jean was born on February 15, 1967. She was one day short of Valentine's Day, although she's always been considered a valentine to family and friends.

Laura Jean has always given 120% to everything in her life. While a teenager in high school, Laura Jean was employed as a junior camp counselor at Camp Rainbow, which prepared her for her work with people following graduation.

In 1989, Laura Jean was chosen to speak as the first valedictorian of her graduating class in the LPVEC.

After graduation, Laura Jean went on to work as a teachers' aide at the Valley Community Day Care Center, helping with pre-schoolers. When the daycare closed, Laura Jean went on to be a volunteer at Heritage Hall South Nursing Home, where she is a valuable asset and loved by the residents.

Laura Jean's compassion for people has brought her beyond her own goals. Whether young or old, Laura Jean finds a spot in everyone's heart.

Her proud parents are Joseph and Jeannette DeFlumera of Feeding Hills. Her proud siblings are Joseph DiFlumera of Meridan, Barbara DiFlumera of Chicopee, and Lisa Strack of Feeding Hills.

Two people that are very special to Laura Jean are her paternal grandmother, Helen DiFlumera of Hopedale, Mass. and her seven year-old niece, Shannalyn Strack.



LAURA JEAN DEFLUMERA

Nocturnal Adoration To Meet November 4th

A concelebrated Mass for all deceased members of the Nocturnal Adoration Society of Agawam and West Springfield will be held on Wednesday evening, November 4th at 7:00 p.m. at the Dominican Nuns, Monastery of The Mother of God, Riverdale Street, West Springfield.

The Most Reverend Bishop John A. Marshall will be the principal celebrant and with him will be priests of participating parishes.

There will be an induction of new members by Moderator of the Society Reverend Albert E. Breton and Louis J. Gallerani, its president.

Refreshments will be served in the Sister's lounge following the ceremony and the Mass.

Junior Women's Club Gives Halloween Goodies To Elderly

A dragon, a tiger, a mouse, Belle, Raggedy Ann, Tinkerbell, and a giant M & M visited the residents at Heritage Hall recently to deliver Halloween greetings.

The children, accompanied by their mothers (six members of the Agawam Junior Women's Club), handed out Halloween cards made by themselves and other club members' children. The Juniors also delivered 25 hand-painted pumpkins which club members decorated at their October meeting. These will help residents get in the spirit of Halloween.

The Agawam Junior Women's Club is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, and the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Massachusetts.



Katarzyna Sroka

Katarzyna (Katherine) was born in a small village in Poland in 1897. She had five brothers and two sisters.

She left Poland, via Germany, in 1911, sailing for seven days to New York on the first German ship to sail to New York. A story is often told by her that when she was leaving her home, she went out into the field to say "good-bye" to her grandmother who was working behind a horse and plow at the age of 114.

Katherine joined two brothers and one sister in the United States, making her home in Indian Orchard with her sister.

In 1917, she married her husband, John, and they had four children, one son and three daughters. Her family now includes 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. John passed away in 1964 and one daughter passed away in 1978.

In her earlier years, she worked for the Ludlow Manufacturing Co. and the Cromwell Mills in her later years, where she retired from.

Katherine is the lone survivor of the original 25 people who formed the Indian Orchard Golden Agers.

Today, Katherine resides in the North Building of Heritage Hall. She enjoys the outdoors and takes her walks daily.

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Senior Center's November Calendar

Monday, November 2nd: 9:00 a.m. Mercy Hospital Hearing Van. Free hearing screening (by appointment).

Tuesday, November 3rd: 9:00 a.m. SHINE, by appointment. Free assistance.

Tuesday, November 3rd: 11:30 a.m. Birthday Recognition (by appointment).

Tuesday, November 3rd: 1:00 p.m. Free blood pressure check, A-L.

Friday, November 6th: 9:00 a.m. Free diabetic screening, by appointment.

Monday, November 9th: 10:00 a.m. Free eye screening, with Dr. Rosenthal. By appointment.

Wednesday, November 11th: Senior Center closed—Veterans' Day.

Thursday, November 12th: 9:00 a.m. Podiatry with Dr. Salem. By appointment.

Thursday, November 12th: 10:00 a.m. A.S.G.A. meeting (Agawam Senior Games Athletes).

Thursday, November 12th: 7:30 p.m. Bay Path show; reservations are now available.

Tuesday, November 17th: 9:00 a.m. Free assistance, SHINE; by appointment.

Tuesday, November 17th: 1:00 p.m. Free blood pressure check, M-Z.

Wednesday, November 18th: 12:00 noon. The Carolyn Lee Show at Chez Josef.

Thursday, November 19th: 9:00 a.m. Foot care nurses, by appointment.

Thursday, November 19th: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Commodities Distribution.

Friday, November 20th: Special Thanksgiving Day menu. Reservations are now open.

Monday, November 23rd: 9:00 a.m. Mercy Hospital Hearing Van. Free hearing screening, by appointment.

Monday, November 23rd: 1:30 p.m. Agawam Chapter AARP meeting. New members are en-

couraged to attend.

Tuesday, November 24th: 2:00 p.m. Free legal consultation with Attorney Teryl Deegan (by appointment).

Wednesday, November 25th: 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Senior dance with music by Libby Campa.

AGAWAM SENIOR CENTER, COUNCIL ON OFFER TWO MINI TRIPS:

1) Theatre Trip, November 12th—"Me and My Girl" receives top billing at Bay Path College for their 25th theatre season.

Discount tickets are again offered to Agawam senior citizens for the show. Reservations are now open and can be made at the Senior Center ticket booth, Monday through Friday, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Donation is \$4 per person.

Van service is available to persons who are handicapped, or without transportation. The van will depart from the Senior Center parking lot. Car pool is encouraged.

For more information, you may call 786-0400, ext. 242, activities department.

2) The Carolyn Lee Show—Wednesday, November 18th! Better known as the female Liberace, Carolyn Lee offers more than "razzle dazzle." She is a true entertainer and an accomplished musician. She has performed from coast to coast ... from Carnegie Hall to Las Vegas.

Now, she has come to our home town and will be performing at Chez Josef. Tickets can be purchased only through group sales, and are available at the Senior Center ticket booth. Show and dinner is only \$29 per person (a \$14 savings).

Don't miss this opportunity. For more information, call the Senior Center at 786-0400, ext. 242, activities department.

Vets Day Services At St. John's Church

The Agawam Veterans' Council has announced that memorial services for Veterans' Day will be held at St. John's Church on Main Street, Agawam, at the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, November 8th.

The Mass will be immediately followed by a wreath laying at the memorial on the Veterans' Green in front of Phelps School on Main Street.

On Veterans' Day, November 11th, at 11:00 a.m., the bell on the Memorial will be tolled in a brief ceremony. All are invited to attend and participate.

Volunteers will be assembling in the town hall parking lot adjacent to the Veterans' Service Office at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 7th, in order to flag the graves of Agawam's veterans.

Please join in honoring our deceased veterans by being there.

Keeping Baby Safe At Baystate Medical

New parents, babysitters, and grandparents will benefit from a two-session course, "Keeping Baby Safe," to be offered by Baystate Medical Center, November 5th and 12th and again on November 10th and 17th at 7:00 p.m.

The program, offered under the auspices of the hospital's Parent Education Department, will provide participants with the knowledge and skills needed to provide a safe environment for a baby, and to learn what actions to take during an emergency.

Among the topics to be covered during the mini-course will be baby-proofing your home, first aid techniques, car seat safety, and CPR for infants.

For more information, contact the Parent Education Department at 784-BABY (2229).

Feeding Hills Congo Plans Chicken Pie Sup.

The Ladies Benevolent Society of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, 21 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, is sponsoring a Chicken Pie Supper and mini-bazaar on Saturday, November 14th.

The menu will include: chicken pie, whipped potatoes, butternut squash, green beans almondine, cranberry sauce, beet relish, rolls & butter, homemade apple or squash pie.

The cost will be \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under eight, with continuous servings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Faith Bible Church Hosting Conference

Beginning Sunday, November 1st, and continuing through Wednesday, November 4th, Faith Bible Church will be hosting a missionary conference.

Featured in the conference will be missionaries from various countries presenting their mini-stories. Services on Sunday will be held at 10:00 and 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Services from Monday through Wednesday will be at 7:00 p.m.

The public is welcome to attend any of these services. Faith Bible Church is located at 370 Shoemaker Lane in Agawam.



MR. & MRS. JOHN E. DEANE

Jacqueline M. Taupier Bride Of Mr. Deane

On Saturday, September 26th, 1992, at 10:00 a.m., St. John's Church in Agawam was the setting for the marriage of Jacqueline Marie Taupier to John Edward Deane.

Reverend Richard Meehan was the celebrant of the Mass. Jacqueline was attended by her sister, matron of honor, Deborah A. Young. Lisa Taupier and Kristy Deane served as bridesmaids. Serving as junior bridesmaids were Jessica Wanat and Bridget Barnes.

Thomas Deane, brother of the groom, served as the best man. John Young and Brian Deane served as ushers. Bob Taupier was the videographer.

The bride is the daughter of Al and Elaine Taupier of 64 Woodside Drive, Agawam. John Deane is the son of Harriet Deane of 50 Davenport Street, Chicopee, and the late Edward Deane.

A reception following the ceremony was held at Chez Josef in Agawam. The couple left for a week-long stay in San Diego, California, and a week-long cruise down the Mexican Riviera. The couple will reside in Springfield.

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Carol Ribeiro Weds William J. Groom

Miss Carol M. Ribeiro, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Joaquim Ribeiro of 73 Pleasant Drive, Feeding Hills, became the bride of Mr. William J. Groom on Saturday, September 26th, at Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills. Father David J. Joyce, of Springfield, officiated the ceremony.

The maid of honor was Mary Elizabeth Ribeiro, sister of the bride, of Feeding Hills, and the matron of honor was Judith Cosby, sister of the bride, of Agawam. Bridesmaids were Carrie Nelson of Feeding Hills and Kimberly Housman of Agawam. Courtney Hamel, of Westfield, served as junior bridesmaid and Sarah Cosby, niece of the bride, was the flower girl.

The best man was Craig Cosby, of Agawam. Ushers were Robert Mesick, of Feeding Hills, and Craig Castonguay and Randall Housman, both of Agawam.

Immediately following the wedding ceremony, a reception was held in the Tivoli Room at Chez Josef.

The bride is a 1985 graduate of Agawam High School, and a 1989 graduate of Westfield State College. She is presently employed as a proposal/document specialist for ABB C-E Services, Inc., Windsor.

The groom is a 1984 graduate of Agawam High School, and attended Holyoke Community College. He is presently employed as a material attendant for Hamilton Standard, East Windsor.

Following their honeymoon cruise to Bermuda, the couple plan to make their home in Feeding Hills.



KELLEY CARR & WILLIAM DANSEREAU

Kelley A. Carr Engaged To William Dansereau

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Carr are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelley Anne Carr, to William Dansereau.

An October 8, 1993 wedding is planned.

Kelley is a graduate of Agawam High School and attended Holyoke Community College. She is currently employed by Genesis Health Ventures.

Mr. Dansereau is a graduate of Longmeadow High School and Willie Ross School for the Deaf. He attended Springfield Technical Community College and Salem State University. He is currently employed by K-Mart Corp.

Annual Turkey Walk At Heritage Hall

Walkers throughout the Agawam/West Springfield area will get out their walking shoes to participate in the American Heart Association's Annual Turkeywalk to be held on Monday, November 2nd. The walk will start at 12:00 noon at Heritage Hall in Agawam.

The event is expected to attract walkers of all ages from the Agawam area. According to Carolyn Crawford, event chairperson, the funds raised through the Turkeywalk pledges and donations will support the American Heart Association's research, public and professional education and community service programs.

However, Crawford says there is more to be gained. Walking helps condition the heart and lungs and it is an activity the family can enjoy together.

Walkers who collect pledges are eligible for great prizes and the top fundraisers will receive turkey gift certificates.

For more information, call Carolyn Crawford at 786-8000 or The American Heart Association at 532-0400.

Ag. Senior Center's Weekly Lunch Menu

Monday, November 2nd: Apple juice, stuffed shells, zucchini, oatmeal bread, fresh fruit.

Tuesday, November 3rd: Birthday Celebration—Cabbage soup, sliced turkey sandwich on whole wheat bread, mixed vegetables, birthday cake.

Wednesday, November 4th: Baked chicken leg, potato puffs, butternut squash, Canadian oat bread, canned pears.

Thursday, November 5th: Country pie (hamburg, rice, tomatoes, cheese), tossed salad, pumpernickel bread, lemon pudding.

Friday, November 6th: Fish nuggets, baked beans, cole slaw, rye bread, canned peaches.

(Menu subject to change without notice.)

1993 Town Calendars Are Now Available

They're here!!! The 1993 Agawam Town Calendars are available.

The calendar has been a summer project for the Agawam High School Band Parents. Three Agawam residents judged the photos submitted by town people.

They picked the winning cover photo and 12 photos to be used throughout the calendar. Agawam/Feeding Hills businesses have contributed over \$200 worth of coupons.

The back cover of the calendar has a list of important numbers frequently used. They consist of schools, town offices, Town Council, School Committee, and emergency numbers.

The Band Parents appreciate your support through the purchase of this calendar and also urge you to support the fine local merchants who are included in the coupons.

You can purchase one at Town Hall (Collector's Office), the Agawam Federal Credit Union, Academy of Artistic Performance, Surprise! Card & Gift Shop, Corner Deli and Variety, or by calling Bill Rose at 786-0195 or Roxanne Zern at 786-1679.

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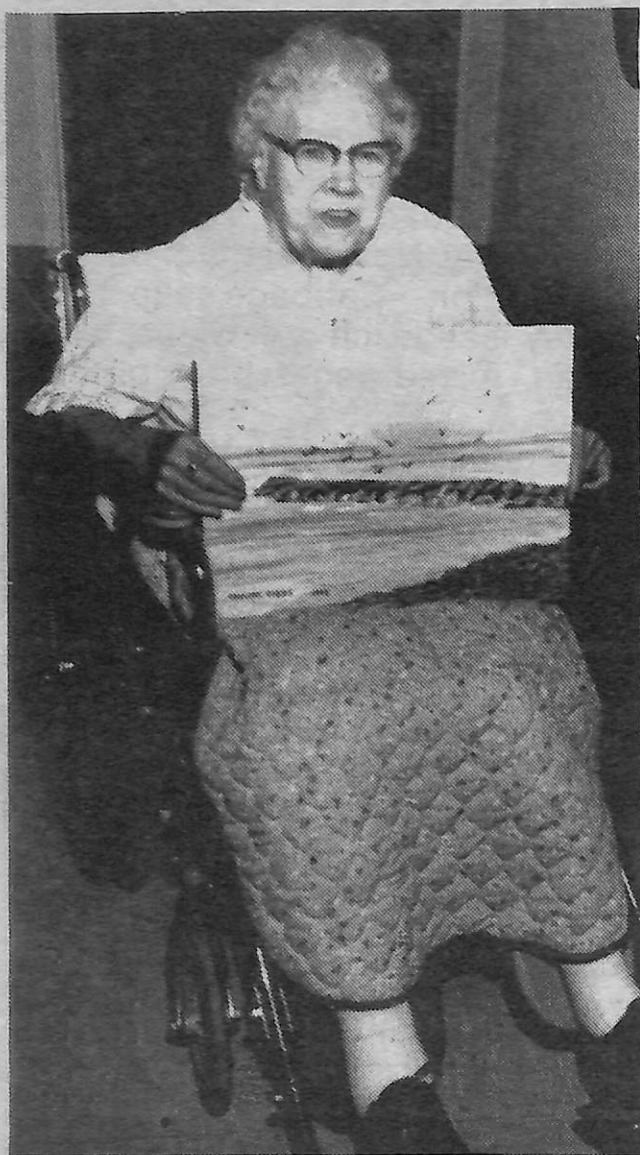
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More Activities At Heritage Hall Nursing Home



PAULINE GIBBS of Heritage Hall Nursing Home (South Building) displays a picture she painted from a photograph taken by AAN Photographer Jack Devine at the beach. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ABOUT TO ENJOY A DELICIOUS APPLE pie at Heritage Hall Nursing Home (South Building) are residents Annie Broughton, Paul Dufault, and Elizabeth Coon. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Craft Fair Slated For Leonard House Nov. 7

Holiday gifts and decorations will be featured at a Craft Fair to be held at the Captain Charles Leonard House in Agawam on November 7th between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

The public is cordially invited to begin Christmas shopping by browsing through the selection of attractive items prepared by the women of Bethany Assembly of God.

In addition to the handcrafted articles for sale, a light lunch will be served, and there will be a table of homebaked foods to take home for the family's enjoyment.

Forest Park Zoo Has Halloween Party

On Saturday, October 31st, the Zoo in Forest Park will hold its annual Halloween Spooktacular from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., rain or shine.

A costume contest for all ages and many categories will take place throughout the day. Prizes will be awarded. Games, food, and drinks will also be available. The Zoo Train will run during the day.

Papa Gino's and WTIC television Fox 61 sponsor this event.

For more information, contact Barbar J. Lewis, Manager, Zoo in Forest Park, at (413) 733-2251.

AHS Class Of 1948 Plans 45th Reunion

The Agawam High School Class of 1948 is planning their 45th reunion in 1993. Since this is the first reunion in 15 years, there are several classmates the committee has been unable to locate.

A list of members for whom we are missing addresses follows: Betty Jean Sanberg Campbell, Shirley Williams Tallman, Ralph Sheldon, Ernest Megazzini, Elizabeth Wyant Drenzek, Beryl Dunscombe Shaylor, David Richman, Earl Wood, Jackson Blodgett, Kurt Esche, Richard Franklin, and Chuck Hare.

If you can help the committee locate someone on this list, please call Jack Cassidy, 786-0326.

AHS Class Of 1973 Plans 20th Reunion

A second meeting has been scheduled for the Agawam High School Class of 1973 to plan the 20th reunion.

Anyone interested in working on the reunion committee is welcome to attend a meeting on Thursday, November 19th, at 6:30 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library community room. This reunion will be a special event, and the committee would love your input.

If you are interested in helping or need more information, please contact Peggy Gacona Cardaropoli at 786-5247, or Susan Borgatti Meunier at 786-6669.

Troop 75 To Benefit From Window Etching At AHS Parking Lot

Window etching by Swis Auto will be held this Saturday, October 31st, at the Agawam High School parking lot from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The cost will be \$13.00 per car.

This event is being held to benefit Troop 78 and D.A.R.E.

Holiday Craft Fair At Polish Club Nov. 7th

The Women's Auxiliary of the Polish American Club of Agawam will be holding a Holiday Craft Fair on Saturday, November 7th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., on the club's grounds (139 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills).

Booths will be featuring handmade crafts, a Polish kitchen, and baked goods.

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Spotlight On Business

Bill Thorpe Continues Jack-Of-All Trade Role At Office Supply Co.

by Dale Fiske
Advertiser News Feature Writer

After long years of hard work, most people look forward to retirement and the time to do the things there were never enough hours in the day to accomplish.

Bill Thorpe of Thorpe's Office Supply, 1408 Main Street, attended his retirement party four weeks ago, mingled with the almost 200 well-wishers, and reported back to work bright and early the next Monday morning.

As the longtime Agawam resident said, "Maybe they're trying to push me out, but I'm not ready to go yet." Thorpe, who will be 79 next month (and looks and acts years younger), explained, "Working keeps you active and keeps you young. I can't sit still. When you are involved in doing things, you don't have a chance to think about aches and pains and they go away."

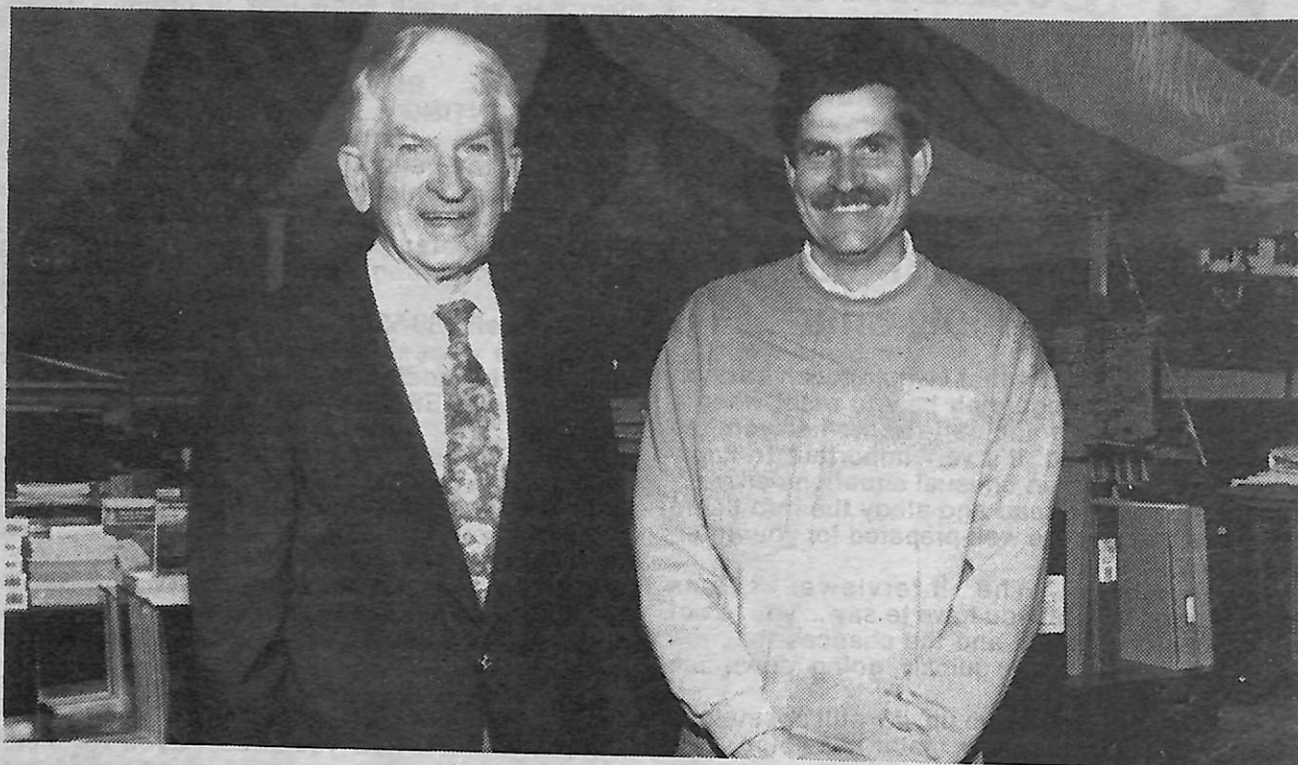
Thorpe has worked with his son, Brad, at Thorpe's Office Supply since Brad started the business 19 years ago. Thorpe said, "I started off helping with one thing and that led to another and then another, and here we are."

Included in his duties at work, Bill solicits orders, makes deliveries, collects on slow accounts, mows the lawns, and rakes the leaves. He said, "My customers are like my friends. I like calling on my friends. My accounts are important."

"I try to deserve people's business. So, I suggest ways they can save money. I tell them about specials we have they can take advantage of. We have a good time with our customers. We laugh together. That's important."

His "Advantage"

There is an advantage to being retired and going to work every day, Thorpe said, "because I can



BILL THORPE (left), who will be 79 next month, works for his son, **Brad Thorpe**, at Thorpe's Office Supply on Main Street. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

take a day off. I don't have to be there every day ... but chances are I will be."

According to Brad, who organized his dad's surprise farewell party, "My father is dedicated and reliable. We come from different generations, but we bring different ideas together. I hear people say that work is no fun anymore, but it's fun if you make it fun. We do."

Prior to coming to work for his son, Thorpe worked as sales manager for a major baking company in the area. Changing lines from gastro-nomic pleasures to office equipment and supplies was easy for him, and he's hardly missed a day of work in his entire career.

On his off hours, Thorpe keeps busy, too. He

said, "I love the outdoors. My favorite hobbies are gardening and sailing." In the winter he likes shoveling snow.

"Everyone goes by and tells me I shouldn't be doing it. I look at them and say, 'Yeah,' and keep on shoveling. I enjoy that, too."

Thorpe's philosophy on growing old is not to think about age because "it doesn't mean a thing."

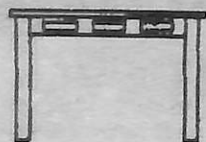
"As a matter of fact, if you just sit around complaining and stop living every minute, you are already old, no matter what age you are," according to him. "You just need to be able to change and keep up with today's world," he added.

Thorpe resides at 726 Main Street, Agawam, with his wife of many years, Dorothy.



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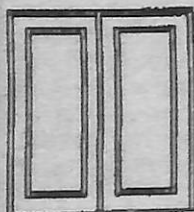


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by Raymond Rose

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How To Save A Job Interview That's Going Sour

This week, I thought that I would touch base on some solid ideas regarding how to react when a job interview isn't going quite as well as you had hoped that it would. It's very important to know how to respond when unusual situations arrive ... thus, I urge you to read and study the info listed below so that you are well-prepared for your interview.

SITUATION ... The interviewer seems uninterested in what you have to say ... you're not coming across well ... and the chances that you will land this job are quickly going down the tubes.

REACTION ... Don't give up. It's still possible to salvage this job interview that's not going well. Analyze what's going wrong ... perhaps you're stressing the wrong skills to the interviewer ... try to change the focus of discussion.

SITUATION ... The interviewer has missed your strongest points.

REACTION ... Work them in yourself. Don't try to be subtle ... example: "By the way, Mr./Mrs. Smith, I have a strong background in public relations. Let me tell you about what I've done..."

SITUATION ... The interviewer seems rushed or preoccupied.

REACTION ... Offer to return when things have calmed down ... go back to a previous question that you feel you may have fumbled ... and then add more information ... example: "If you don't mind, I have some more thoughts to add to my earlier answer to your question about X..."

SUGGESTIONS...

—Find a trigger of common interest. Discreetly look around the interviewer's office for a photograph, a souvenir, a book, etc.—anything that will help you break the ice ... example: "That's some marlin up on the wall there. I caught one almost as big in the Florida Keys last summer..."

—Don't try and bluff your way through anything ... you may get caught in a lie.

—Be honest ... If necessary, ask the interviewer what you're doing wrong ... example: "I'm not sure I've impressed you enough today. I know I can do this job. Would you tell me where I'm going wrong so I can address your fears?" (if the interview is really going badly, you have nothing to lose).

—Ask for the job. The most successful salespeople know the best way to get an order is to come right out and ask for it ... example: "I like this company and I would like to work for you ... and if you hire me, I promise that I won't let you down." You haven't come right out and asked to

be hired ... but this tactic often works very well. Well, here's a good start ... I'm sure you'll agree that there's some good ideas here ... so study them well so you'll know how to properly react during your next interview. Best wishes for success!

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DON'T FORGET TO VOTE NEXT TUESDAY ... look at next week's schedule **NOW** and set a specific time in which you'll be able to visit the polls ... **NO EXCUSES ...** schedule it like you would anything else.

MEET YOUR OWN EXPECTATIONS ... when you're tempted to ignore things you should be doing, ask yourself how you'll feel if you let them slide. If that will make you unhappy, go ahead and do the job. The benefit will be the exhilaration you feel when you realize you're in charge of yourself!

YELLING AT A CHILD may enforce discipline temporarily, but it does little to change long-term behavior. For more lasting results, decide on the behavior you want, and during a calm period tell (or show) the child what you expect. Compliment the child's new behavior ... and avoid reminding him/her of past errors. Don't allow power struggles to develop.

START EACH DAY by spending five minutes setting your priorities for that day. Review plans with people working with you, including secretaries, and at times, your supervisors. Decide together which task needs to be done first. Very important ... always limit session to *five minutes*. Don't offer chairs or coffee, or you'll be faced with a staff meeting.

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Financial Planning

by Howard A. Dickstein
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Pension Plans—Don't Lose Your Tax Deferred Status

There's more reason than ever to carefully plan for your retirement. When you switch jobs, lose a job, or retire, don't be tempted to spend what you've acquired in your retirement plan.

Congress has passed a new law, taking effect in 1993, requiring the employer you're leaving to withhold 20 percent of your lump-sum pension distribution. You can avoid the withholding and retain the tax-deferred status of these dollars by transferring all or a portion of your plan amount into your new employer's plan (if it has one) or into an IRA.

When you leave your job, you need to make arrangements to leave your pension dollars with your employer or have that money transferred directly to an IRA or to your new employer's pension plan. If you don't do one of these, you'll lose one-fifth of your payout to withholding taxes.

In addition, if you're not 59½, you'll be assessed an additional 10 percent penalty for early withdrawal.

You have 60 days to decide what you want to do with money from your employee-sponsored retirement plan. Your choices are:

- to transfer your dollars into an IRA;
- make arrangements to leave it in your former employer's plan;
- transfer the amount to your new employer's plan if you're switching jobs;
- or keep the distribution.

What should you do? Find out if the employer you're leaving allows you to leave your money in your current plan. Later, you can transfer the money into an IRA or your new employer's plan. Make sure you ask your new employer if you can transfer into that plan.

It may be more beneficial to have the money in an employer-sponsored plan rather than an IRA because these types of plans often allow you to borrow money from the plan which you can't do with an IRA.

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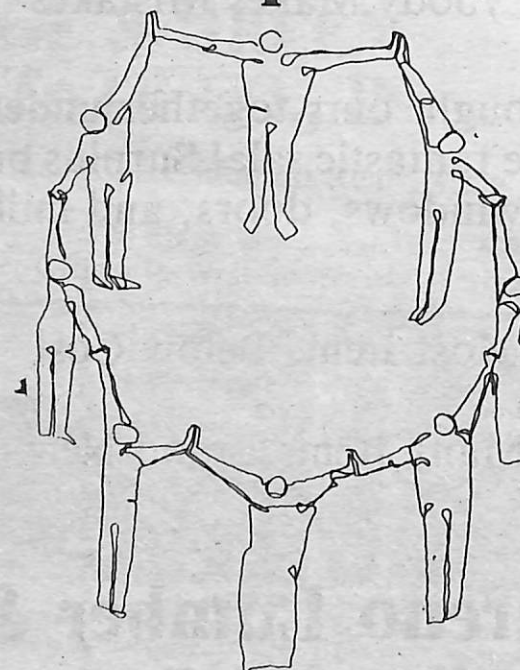
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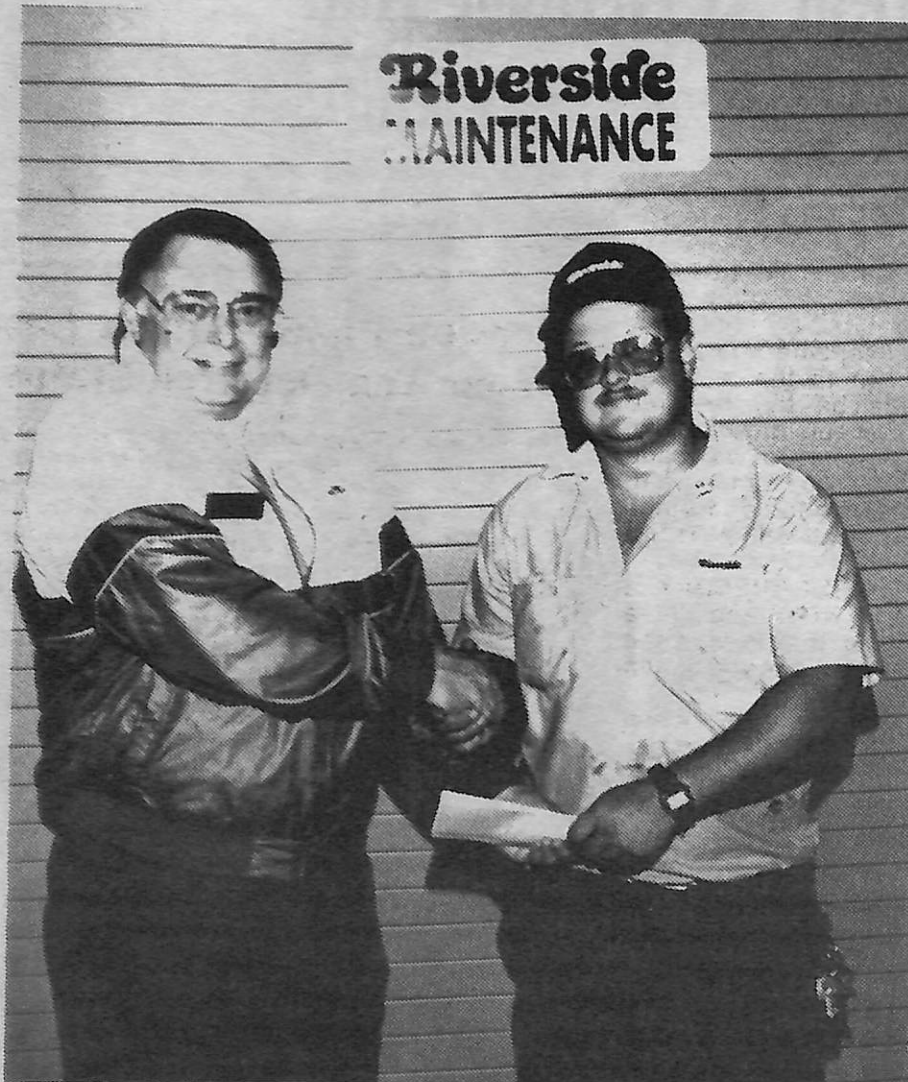
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Maintenance Awards At Riverside Park



T.C. FREEMAN, director of Maintenance at Riverside Park, presented "Maintenance Performance Awards" to staff members John Chiarizio (photo left) and Jim Basile. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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If your financial situation requires additional income, another option may be to start receiving periodic payments from the plan. The payments will be taxed as income, but if you continue to receive payments until age 59½ or for five years—whichever is longer—you won't be stuck with the 10 percent penalty for early withdrawal. In this situation, you'll still have 20 percent withheld for income taxes.

The new pension law allows you to keep a portion of your distribution and place the remaining amount into an IRA. Previously you could only roll a portion of your distribution into an IRA if it was at least 50 percent of the plan.

Another twist is that previously you could only roll a portion of the plan amount into a new IRA, not into a new employer's plan. Now you can roll whatever amount you choose into an IRA or a qualified plan. But remember, 20 percent will be withheld for income taxes.

If you put retirement plan distributions into an IRA, make sure that it's a new IRA, not an existing IRA. This way you'll have the opportunity to transfer the money into a new employer's retirement plan in the future. You lose your chance to transfer if you mix plan distributions with an existing IRA.

The stress of changing jobs or dealing with retirement often makes it difficult to manage and remember financial details. A financial planner can help you monitor your life situations and provide you with direction and advice.

To receive further information or if you would like to arrange a free 30-minute consultation, please contact me at my office, 567-1772.

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Aimee Daigle from Decorating World in the Crossroad Shoppes, Feeding Hills Center, has earned the title of Certified Coatings Consultant, designating this individual as an expert in the field of coatings.

The certification was awarded to the Decorating World employee on October 23rd, 1992, after passing a comprehensive test covering customer relations, coatings knowledge, product application, and decorating. The test was given at the conclusion of a full-day seminar held on Oc-

tober 15th, 1992 in Hartford, CT.

The test and seminar are based on a coatings training package, the Certified Coatings Consultant Program, developed by the National Decorating Products Association. The program was developed to provide professional advice and instructions to help new consultants better serve their customers.

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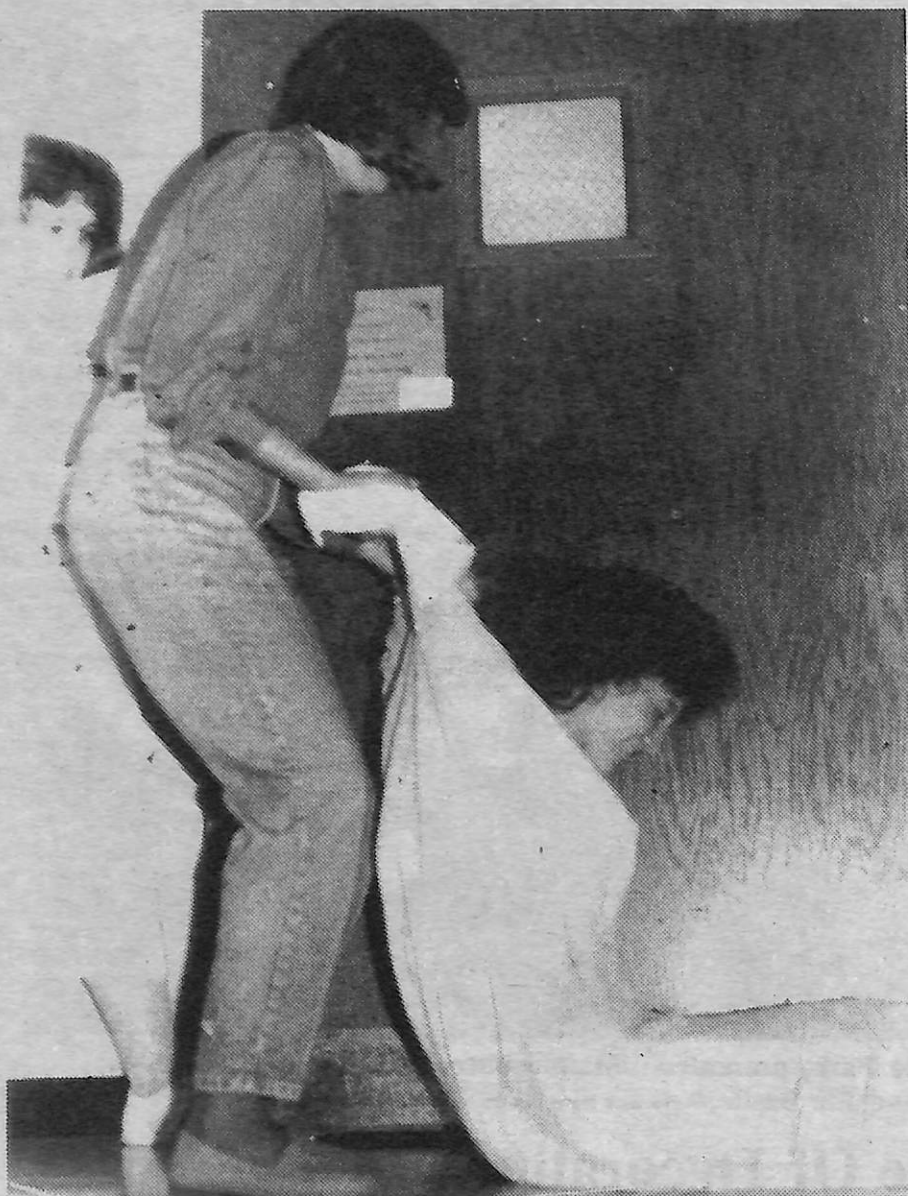
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For Your Health

Ag. Fire Dept. Conducts Drill At Heritage Hall



THE AGAWAM FIRE DEPARTMENT recently conducted a fire drill at Heritage Hall Nursing Home, South Building. The drill was put on to provide the staff at Heritage Hall the necessary training for life saving techniques in patient removal in the event of a serious disaster. IN PHOTO RIGHT, Safety Coordinator Gloria Mayotte watches as staff members prepare patients for a trip down the stairs to a safe area during a practice fire drill. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Providence Hospital Has Diabetic Program

The Providence Hospital Diabetic Educational Program for the Management of Diabetes will present a series of free classes beginning Friday, November 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the hospital conference room.

Mary Ellen Strzempko, R.N., C.D.E., Diabetic Teaching Nurse, said classes are open to all diabetics, their families and the public. No advanced registration is necessary.

Mrs. Strzempko also runs the hospital's blood sugar level testing on the second Thursday of every month. The next one will be held on November 12th from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. in the auditorium.

Those taking the test must fast from midnight. No advanced registration is necessary. A \$2 donation is asked to cover some of the costs.

The November diabetic class schedule is as follows:

November 6th: -signs and symptoms of diabetes, coping with diabetes and self blood glucose monitoring.

November 13th: -insulin and oral drugs: Action and use explained -acute complications.

November 20th: -acute and chronic complications. -importance of foot care discussed by Dr. Robert Fleischner.

November 27th: -meal planning and the diabetic diet conducted by a registered dietician.

A question and answer period is part of each class.

Persons with questions may contact Mrs. Strzempko at the hospital at 539-2938.

Better Breathers At Noble Hospital

The Noble Hospital's "Better Breather Support Group" for people with C.O.P.D. (asthma, chronic bronchitis, or emphysema) will meet November 9th at Noble Hospital, 115 West Silver Street, Westfield, at 2:00 p.m. in the auditorium on the ground floor.

Flu and Pneumonia will be the topic.

For more information, call the American Lung Association at 737-3506 or Noble Hospital at 568-2811.

Teddy Bear Clinic By Bay State Medical

Bring your tired and huddled masses of teddy bears, dolls, and other stuffed animals, and they'll receive proper medical attention at Kids' Day at the Springfield Civic Center on Sunday, November 1st, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sponsored by Baystate Medical Center in conjunction with the Jewish Community Center, the Teddy Bear Clinic will share the spotlight with hands-on laser demonstrations, finger casting, storytelling, and more.

"The Teddy Bear Clinic is really a way to acquaint kids with health care in a non-threatening way," said Marie Sadak, R.N., Director of Outreach Services at Baystate Medical Center.

The Teddy Bear Clinic is not intended to repair broken teddies, dolls, or other stuffed animals. "Rather by examining their favorite toys, we demonstrate the care and warmth of the health care provider," she said.

Other features to be staged by Baystate Medical Center will include:

—Operating room display where kids and parents can go behind a true-to-life replica of an operating room.

—Trauma exhibit and visit to the Emergency Room, with finger casting for kids.

—Storytelling of old favorites by expert storytellers.

—Laser display allows kids to write their initials on a orange, using high-tech power.

—"Wheel of Fortune," like the TV show, but loaded with health questions. Prizes will be awarded.

—Safe Kids booth will provide the latest in safety tips for kids.

Admission to Kids' Day will be \$1 for children, and \$2 for adults. A coupon for 50¢ is available at Waldbaum's Food Mart.

All children must be accompanied by an adult, and all adults must be accompanied by a child. Once inside, everything—including food and beverage—is free.

High-Self Esteem Classes In West Side

Dr. Steve Sobel, director of The New England Institute For Stress Management of West Springfield, announces that he will be leading the four part program open to the public titled, "Creating High Self-Esteem and Personal Success."

The program will allow participants to work out difficult choices and changes in their lives as well as how to increase self-esteem and confidence in all areas of their lives.

The group is limited to 10 adults and will be held on Sunday evenings of November 1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd. All sessions run from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and take place at Dr. Sobel's offices located at 425 Union Street, West Springfield.

The cost is \$100 per person and you need to call 785-1259 to obtain full program outline/description.

Dr. Sobel is the author of "The Good Times Handbook-Your Guide To Positive Living and an Exciting Life," now available at Johnson's Bookstore in Springfield.

Maternity Exercise At Baystate Medical

A month-long maternity exercise program for new and expectant mothers will be offered at Baystate Medical Center from November 2nd-30th.

The program, which will meet Mondays and Wednesdays, will be held from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Executive Officers Meeting Room.

The exercise program is designed for pregnant women and for those who have recently delivered, and will focus on the muscle groups and systems affected by pregnancy.

Women may join at any time during pregnancy or following their postpartum checkup.

"Benefits may include relief from minor discomforts of pregnancy, such as lower back pain, and an increase in energy and endurance," said program coordinator Convy Stahl. "It's also a great opportunity for women who have recently delivered to get back their pre-pregnancy shape."

The fee for the maternity exercise program is \$30. For information or to register, call 784-BABY (2229).

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For Your Health - continued...

Weight Control At Mercy Hospital

An innovative program designed to provide alternatives to traditional weight control techniques will be offered by the Women's Pavilion beginning November 5th at the Mercy Hospital Center for Health.

The eight-week program, entitled "Creative Weight Management," will explore options that are available to help eliminate the "yo-yo diet" effects many persons experience when losing weight, according to course leader Carol Kwapien, B.S., R.N.

"This program will center on alternate methods of achieving changes through hypnosis, goal setting, relaxation and stress reduction and creative visualization and imagery," said Kwapien.

Topics to be discussed include: eating what you want, recognizing the problems of "dieting," encouraging a positive body image, controlling binge eating, managing weight changes and personal growth, and total body wellness. In addition, personal sessions are available by appointment.

All classes will be presented by professionals with extensive experience in education, wellness, science, and hypnosis who have experienced the frustrations of being overweight and have found their own acceptable levels of success to weight control management.

The cost is \$85 per person for the series, and pre-registration is required. All classes begin at 7:00 p.m.

For reservations or more information, call the Women's Pavilion at 785-4636.

Ag. Counseling Ctr. Has Support Group

The Agawam Counseling Center is pleased to announce that they will be sponsoring an educational/support group for parents of young children.

The focus of the group will be on developing parenting skills and improving parent-child relationships. The program is based on the Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP), a nationwide and successful parent education program.

The program will begin on November 10th and will meet on Tuesday mornings from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There will be six sessions which will be held at the Agawam Counseling Center.

The cost of the group will be \$60 for the series or \$11 per session. The program will be oriented towards parents of pre-schoolers; however, it is open to anyone who is interested in attending. The sessions will be conducted by Nicole Gillette, a psychologist who is trained and experienced in facilitating this program.

Those who would like to register for the program, please call the Agawam Counseling Center at 786-6410 and ask for Nancy Jessup. Please feel free to call if you have any questions.

November CPR Classes At Red Cross

The American Red Cross has announced that applications are now being accepted for CPR classes to be held in November at the Red Cross facility at 235 Chestnut Street, Springfield.

"Community CPR," an eight-hour course covering rescue breathing, first aid for choking, and one-rescuer CPR skills for adult, child, and infant victims, will be offered on November 2nd and 5th from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.; November 7th and 14th from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; and November 24th and December 1st from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Interested participants are asked to pay a \$35 materials fee in advance. Class size is limited; pre-registration is strongly encouraged.

Classes in Adult CPR, Infant and Child CPR, and Basic Life Support for the Professional Rescuer are also available during November.

For further information about Red Cross CPR and other lifesaving skills classes, participants are asked to please call the Red Cross office at 737-4306.

For all the local news, townsfolk will turn our pages...

Noble Hospital's Education Department Sponsoring Family Health Series

In an effort to promote family health and wellness, Noble Hospital's Education Department is sponsoring the *Family Health Series - The Complete Life Cycle*.

The series will address topics throughout the year such as parenting, mammography, the maturing woman, caring for older parents, prepared childbirth, and purchasing safe baby furniture.

It will begin with a two-part lecture on adolescence entitled *Transition from Childhood to Adolescence* on November 5th and 12th from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The first class is for parents and the second is for young adults in grades four, five and six. Pre-registration is required.

The second class, entitled *Baby's First Room*,

will be held on Thursday, December 3rd from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Purchasing the proper items for a baby, including car seats, furniture, toys and child care accessories will be discussed.

According to Noble Hospital's Education Director Joseph Barako, the series is a continuing effort on the part of Noble Hospital to inform the community about information for families.

"We want this to be different than watching information on a movie," he said. "We want people to feel comfortable asking questions."

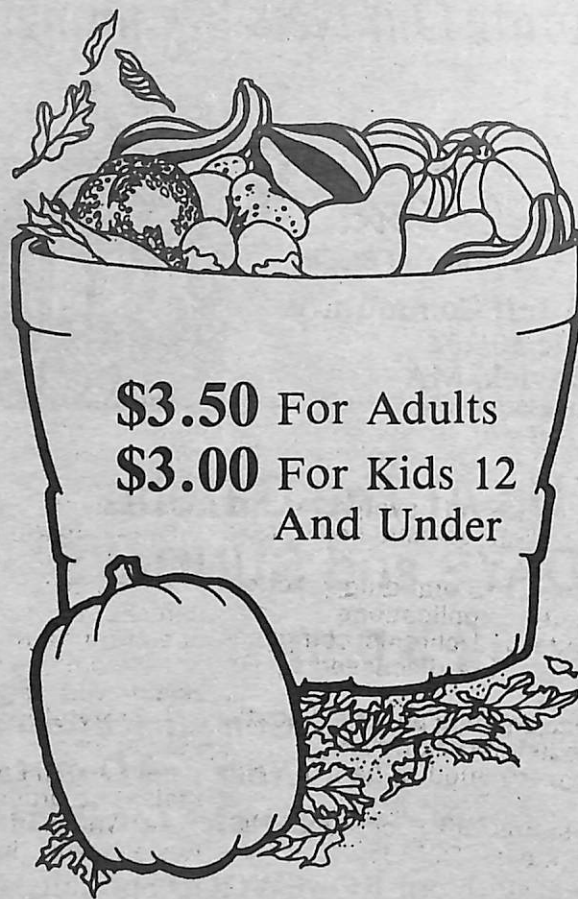
Pre-registration is required for each of the programs. For further information about upcoming classes or to register, call Noble Hospital's Education Department at 568-2811, ext. 421.

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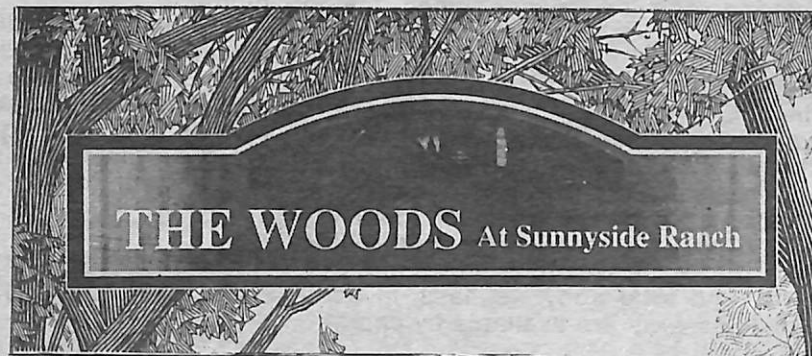


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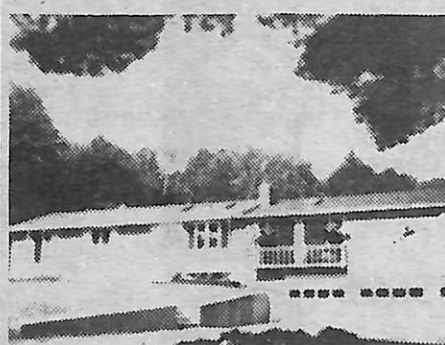
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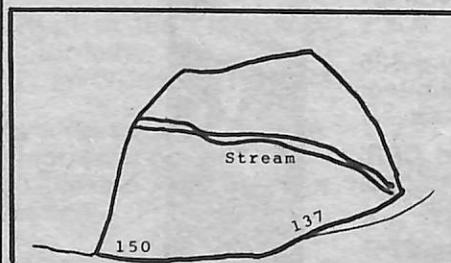
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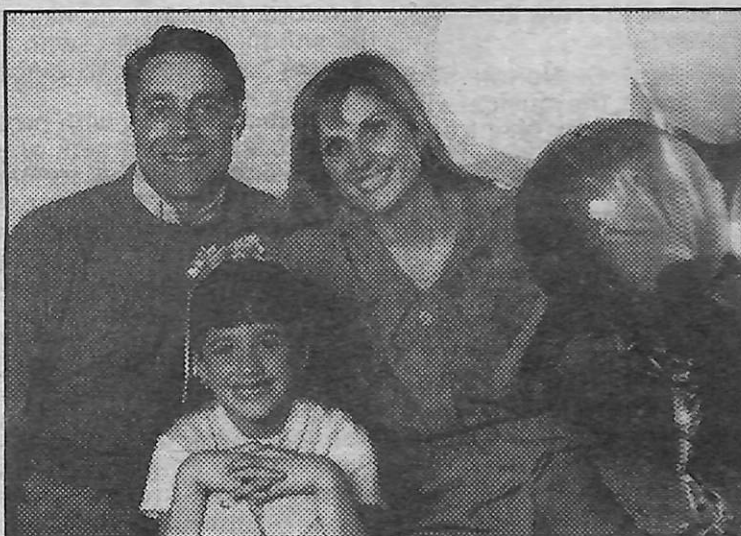
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BRENDA FOLEY as Maggie and Bob Kirsh as Max in the StageWest production of "Lend Me A Tenor."

Town Residents In Bay Path Production

Bay Path College will open its 25th theatre season with its 50th production, the New York and London smash hit, *Me and My Girl*.

Under producer/director Paul C. Norton and musical director, Charles E. Page, the musical will be presented in Mills Theatre, Carr Hall on the college campus on November 13th, 14th, 19th, 20th and 21st at 8:00 p.m. with reserved seating, at 2:00 p.m. matinee on November 14th with reserved seating, and rush seating on November 11th, 12th, and 18th.

According to Director Norton, *Me and My Girl* was originally produced in 1938 in London and ran through the war years in the West End, having to move from one theatre to another when its original house was destroyed by the Blitz.

"Its infectious good humor and hummable musical score made it a standard for English audiences," said Norton. The show was revived in England in 1985 by the son of its composer Noel Gay, and within a year it matched its success when it inaugurated the new Marquis Theatre in New York City and garnered Tony Awards for its star, Robert Lindsay, and its director and designers.

The musical tells the unlikely story of a

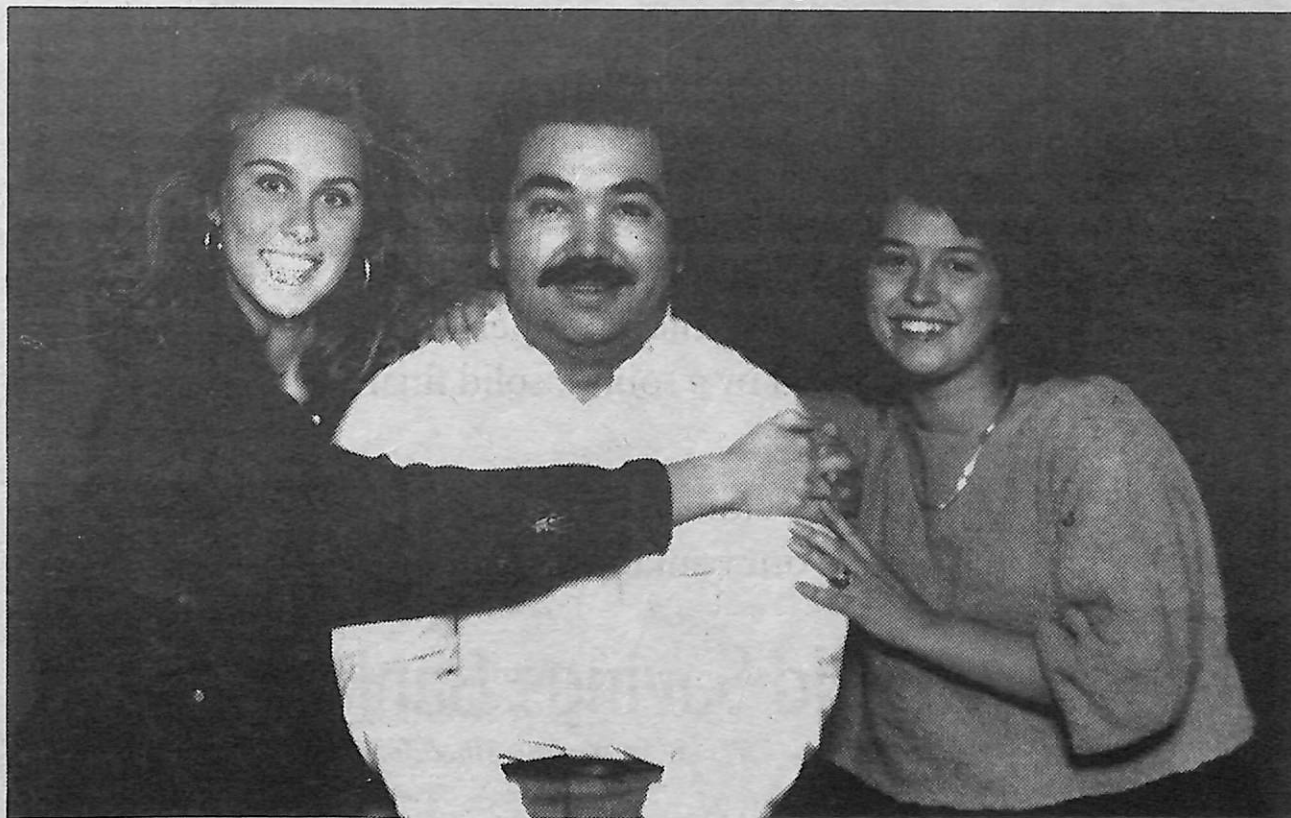
Cockney layabout who inherits the Earldom of Hareford. A puckish prankster, he runs up against the snooty aristocracy who try to educate him in genteel ways and who also try to separate him from his favorite girl.

The show is filled with broad physical comedy, says Norton, period sets and costumes, rousing dances and tune-filled, toe-tapping melodies. The title song is a show stopper as is the exciting dance production, "The Lambeth Walk," which started a dance craze made famous by the photograph of the Duke of Windsor learning the intricate movements.

Cast as the male lead is veteran actor Waldo Goodermote of East Longmeadow, with Bay Path student Kristen Ferraro of Springfield as the female lead.

Among other local actors (all female roles are filled by Bay Path students) are Susan Andry of Agawam, Noel Ayers of Wilbraham, Dan Bausch of Longmeadow, Steven Chandler of Longmeadow, Jennifer Janeczek of Feeding Hills, Christopher Leary of South Hadley, Mark Mickey of Feeding Hills, Christopher Pitts of Chicopee, and James Wolf of Springfield.

The Box Office opens November 4th and tickets may be obtained, weekdays, from 2:30 to 5:00 p.m. by calling 567-0621.



BAY PATH COLLEGE students Susan Andry of Agawam (left) and Jennifer Janeczek rehearse their roles with Mark Mickey of Feeding Hills for the upcoming Bay Path Theatre Arts Department production of *Me and My Girl*.

Tenor Best Play At StageWest In Several Years

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

Lend Me A Tenor is the best thing to happen to StageWest since *The Boys Next Door* came to visit several seasons ago.

Tenor opened the 1992-93 season last week to rousing and well-deserved acclaim, proving that schmaltzy, old-fashioned comedy and campy, vamped wit is far from dead.

The 1930's Art Deco set divides the stage in half, creating two rooms in a Cleveland, Ohio hotel suite ... a sitting room and a bedroom (with closet and bath, integral to the script though briefly used).

With exaggerated movements, vintage posing, double takes, slapstick humor, repeated gags (both verbal and visual), *Lend Me A Tenor* captivates from the very first moment.

The story revolves around world-class opera tenor Tito "Il Stupendo" Merelli (Keith Curran with larger than life camp), who's about to be the guest performer for a highfalutin gala ... only he hasn't arrived yet.

Enter mild-mannered Max (Bob Kirsch), who in true mild-mannered, Clark Kent fashion, hides behind his horn-rims and can't hold a tune if anyone's watching him sing. He's right-hand man to opera patron Saunders (Edwin C. Owens of *Hill Street Blues* fame) and in love with Saunders' delightful, delicate, sweet young daughter Maggie (Brenda Foley). Unfortunately, Maggie wants a final fling before agreeing to tie the knot, and she's setting her sights on Merelli.

Merelli finally arrives, staging a dramatic entry garbed in white from fedora to footwear, cape swirling around his shoulders for a touch more drama. He is accompanied by his brassy, mouthy, very vocal wife Maria (Suzanne Grodner), who in her supporting role has equal chance to shine with the rest of this superb cast.

Opting out of dress rehearsal, Merelli winds up over-sedated and soundly asleep, though Saunders and Max think he's passed on to a bigger and better stage ... and then Saunders comes up with the idea of putting Max on stage in place of the famed tenor, thinking no one will ever suspect that under the black-faced Othello make-up lies an aspiring operatic voice.

Like the comedies of the thirties, *Lend Me A Tenor* has fun with itself, and director Kent Thompson lends a fine hand to the staging of this play, perfectly orchestrating the action and being blessed with a cast (all eight of them) that carries out his directions to perfection.

Rounding out the cast are a seductive leading lady, Diana (played with style and wit by Leilani Mickey); an aging dowager and patroness of the arts, Julia (Mary Scarmat, who proves that age has not yet dimmed the twinkle in her lusty eye); and a budding bellboy tenor (Brad Bellamy) with stardom on his mind.

I could keep on raving about the production, but I would only keep repeating myself. On every level, this show is the best to come out of this theater in more than a year. Would that they could keep it over for another month. Some of us ... many of us ... would like the chance to see it again.

Once Upon A Mattress To Be Staged By Exit 7 Players

Once Upon a Mattress, the musical comedy based on the fairy tale *The Princess and the Pea*, will be presented by the Exit 7 Players at the Chestnut Street Theater, Ludlow, on November 6th, 7th, 13th, and 14th at 8:00 p.m. (there will also be a matinee on November 8th at 2:00 p.m.).

Tickets are \$8 for general admission, \$7 for seniors, and \$10 for preferred seating. For ticket reservations, call Kathy Young at 547-8784.

In this production, Mooneyan Field is featured as the tough but sensitive Princess Winifred who rescues the timid Prince Dauntless (Louis Manzi) from a domineering Queen (Joy Iloff) and a King (Ernie Desroches) under a curse of silence.

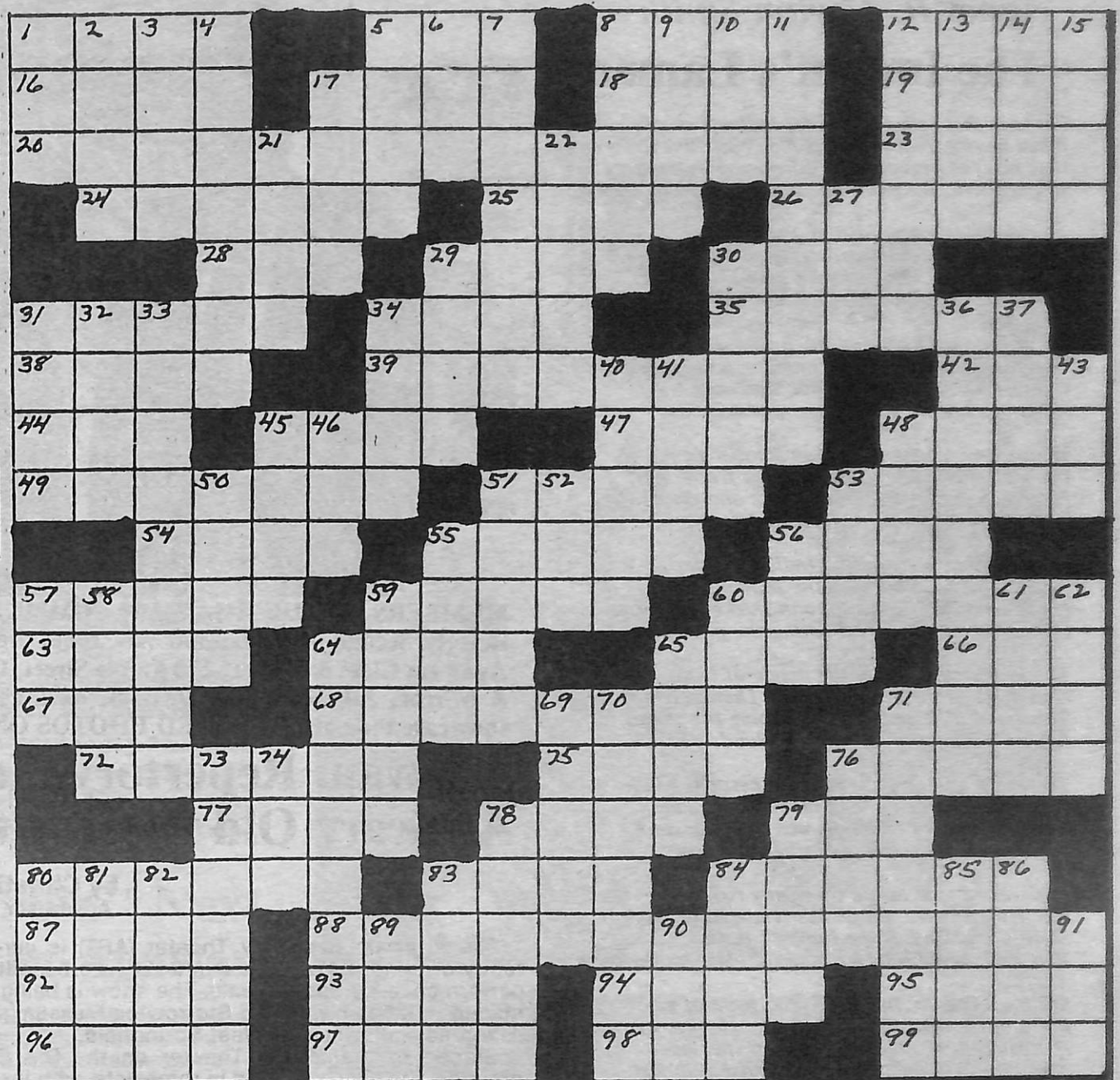
Lively lords, ladies, wizards, minstrels, and jesters are Cheryl Chant, Dan Cincone, Mike Connors, Marcia Cooke, Mindy Detora, Michael Dionne, David Labigalini, Daniel McDermott, Jane Follett McPherson, Elena Opitz, Bob Sullivan, Randy Todd, Michael Tratiak, and Kathy Young.

Once Upon a Mattress is directed by Exit 7 veteran Pam Hebert and produced by Kathy Young. Music director Steven Cirillo and choreographer Coleen Bartlett-Taylor have worked together on other Exit 7 musicals.

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MEET THE MASTER - by Dick Mastroianni



Local Resident To Star In Westfield Comedy

Agawam resident Neal Musante is starring in the Westfield Theatre Group's (WTG) presentation of Mary Chase's "Harvey," which will be performed at the Westfield Woman's Club on November 13th, 14th, 20th, and 21st.

Musante stars as Elwood P. Dowd, a dashing bachelor who's only companion is an "invisible," six-foot white rabbit named Harvey. Since Harvey is visible only to a few "select" people, laughter and fun abounds when Elwood introduces Harvey to everyone he meets.

Musante was last seen on the WTG stage this past spring as Sir Edward Ramsay in the "King & I." He also portrayed Senator Jack S. Fogbound in the WTG production of "Li'l Abner." Behind the scenes, Musante has directed the comedy show "Gammer Gurton's Needle," which was performed at Westfest this past spring by the Westfield Theatre Group.

Joining him on stage for "Harvey" is Cynthia Anderson, who plays his sister Veta Louise, and Jacqueline Lortsher, who plays his niece Myrtle Mae. Several other members of WTG bring their talents to the stage once again, including Don Humason, Jim Angell, and Paul Furioni.

Performance times are 8:00 p.m. for each show, with an extra matinee on November 21st. Tickets can be obtained by calling 730-4838 for reservations, or at the Westfield Woman's Club, Monday through Thursday nights, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

"Harvey" is supported in part by a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council as administered by the Westfield Arts Council. Tickets are \$8 (general admission) and \$6 (students/seniors).

Pioneer Valley Stamp Club Heads To NYC

The Pioneer Valley Stamp Club announces that it will taking a bus trip to New York City on Sunday, November 1st, for a National Stamp Show.

The price for adults is \$20 round trip, and children are \$10. For more information, please call Joe Ryan at 786-1630.

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Agawam Poet...

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The Indian's Lament

*The tear that rolled down the Indian's cheek,
When he saw what the white man had done to his creek,
Was just the beginning of a heart badly broken,
So deep went the pain, not a word could be spoken;*

*All of his waters so pristine and pure,
Abode of the fish must forever endure;
He treated his treasures with love and respect,
And all of their bounties, to him did reflect;*

*His land loved him, and he, his land,
With love for each other, working hand-in-hand;
Life was abundant, beautiful, and sage,
American history's most harmonious page;*

*With many moons passing in somber light,
His waters and land slowly waned from sight;
His horn was peeling from forest and plain,
With alien echoes of discordant refrain;*

*Ships were landing on the Indian's strand,
And cabins were built on the Indian's land;
He offered his friendship, and showed the ways,
Of tilling the sod, and planting the maize;*

*The Indian taught him the magic of living,
And helped to reap the feast of Thanksgiving;
This bond of friendship was ebbing in sphere,
For the thunder of guns begot clouds of fear;*

*The Indian, in despair, raised a hesitant hand,
To protect his home, and maintain his land;
The blood of his children, was spilled in vain,
As the enemy shamefully inflicted his pain;*

*The water made turbid by enemy roil,
His new-sprouted maize was rendered to spoil;
Slowly, this land of the Indian's birth,
Was no longer his haven, special place on the earth;*

*My eyes, like the Indian's, shed tears of great sorrow,
For a disquieted past, and an uncertain morrow;
If I could have stilled the guns of the past,
And cemented the bonds of friendship to last;*

*We'd have a world where sister and brother,
Would abide together, with love for each other;
It would blossom with deeds of goodness and worth,
And peace for all men, "A Heaven on Earth."*

Agnes R. Neylon Smith

Near Infinity

*If we could banish all evil from the Earth,
And hold tight to the virtues, God gave us at birth;
The world would turn to its very best,
And all creation would be venerably blest;*

*Our primary goal would be to give,
And help one another in the way we live;
Give comfort to every lonely soul,
And every troubled heart try to console;*

*We all must live on this Earth each day,
In a peaceful, loving, caring way;
This was God wish, when He created the Earth,
He put love in everyone on the day of his birth;*

*We must think of how very much Jesus gave,
For all mankind, He died, to save;
We must try to share the cross and its pain,
And from greed and selfishness, always refrain;*

*We should take His Commandments down from the shelf,
And learn the meaning of genuine wealth;
Eternal life would belong to all men,
And God, in His heaven, would be happy again.*

Agnes R. Neylon Smith

Agawam Community Artists On Display



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM COMMUNITY ARTISTS, including John C. Wiley, Jr., Beverly Secondo-Wands, and Bev Jones are exhibiting their art work at the new home of Agawam Glass & Mirror, 270 Maple Street, O'Brien's Corner. The owners of Agawam Glass & Mirror, Jake & Debbie Jasmin, have generously provided wall space to the artists to showcase their art. **RELATED PHOTOS ON NEXT PAGE.** Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Repertory Helping With Halloween At Scary Old Storowton Village

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

The Agawam Repertory Theater (ART) is currently offering *A Very Proper Murder* as a benefit performance for Easter Seals. The show is being staged in tandem with Old Storowton Museum's 'Haunted Halloween' in West Springfield.

Staged in the Moses Theater on the Big E grounds, the play is offered in three acts, with the entire production running just over 90 minutes.

It's the story of a troupe of London-based performers whose are staging a show off-off-London's theater district ... so far off it's almost in the Thames.

It tells of two working men who are unwittingly leasing the same room from a landlady who, on a producer's whim, is being played by a man.

When they discover the truth they confront her, and in a moment of confrontation with a gun the 'landlady' points it to her head and unwittingly kills herself - the gun, supposedly a prop, was loaded with real bullets.

So much for act one. Act two steps back in time to set up this murder most foul, examining each of the players and the stage crew on the premises, looking for anyone with a reason to kill.

Both acts are plodding, with occasional sparks of wit, and it's not necessarily the players' fault. The play itself rambles, and lacks punch.

But Act three makes up the difference with veteran performer Steve Hendreson, who shrilly calls up character after character and then heads out into the audience to round up 'volunteers' for such roles as the ticket taker, a janitor, a doorman

... Henderson's non-stop patter, his gregarious sense of humor, his ability to ad lib and adapt the chatter to suit the 'volunteer's' size, style and diction (or lack of), was done with the fine balance that never crossed the line into embarrassment or ridicule.

By keeping it light, the audience participation became the bread and butter, the substance of the show, woven as it was around repeated sight gags (including the most 'faintings' per performance for Evelyn Holland).

ART prepared this play as a 'something extra' to the regular season, and are to be credited for their efforts on behalf of Easter Seals. They are to be credited also with making the most of a weak play and giving this writer several great bellylaughs. The show plays through Saturday, with an 8:00 p.m. curtain.

A note on the Haunted Halloween: the treats are great, and there's a ghost to greet you at Old Storowton's gazebo. Candles flicker in grinning pumpkin paper bags that light the way. Fortunes are told, stories recounted to thrill, chill, and delight, and the pumpkins in the carving contest look great.

The Haunted House, however, is truly scary, even when common sense says there's nothing there to really hurt you. Young children under the age of 10, or sensitive youngsters of any age, would be best entertained by the storytellers and other activities. The grim, gruesome, and murderous secrets of the Haunted House may be too much for those younger viewers.

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LOCAL ARTISTS ON DISPLAY at Agawam Library from the Agawam Community Artists - Phylis Bigda's decorative art; basket-weaving by Pat Bertone-Gross; Syliva Deliso, weaving; and Nancy "Rainbow" Shaer, photography of Native American fans. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

"Lost Towns Of Quabbin" Next First Friday Program In Agawam

The Agawam Cultural Council is pleased to present the second program in the First Friday Series 1992-1993. Les Campbell, Quabbin historian, will be giving a lecture entitled "The Lost Towns of Quabbin Reservoir" at the Agawam Public Library Community Room on Friday, November 6th, at 7:30 p.m.

For over 30 years, Campbell has been among the foremost avocational photographers and color slide presenters in this country. A popular seminar instructor, he has done more to promote wildlife and nature photography as a rewarding leisure time pursuit than any other individual in the Northeast.

Campbell is an honorary member of over 30 camera clubs in the Northeast. He has been cited by the University of Massachusetts, the Massachusetts Audubon Society, the New England Camera Club Council, and the Photographic Society of America.

Recently retired, Campbell has discovered the rewards of historic photo restoration. As an employee at Quabbin Reservoir for over 40 years, he has ample time to absorb the very essence of its unique history. His desire is to devote a large portion of his retirement years to preserving treasures through reprophotography.

Campbell's presentation is free and open to the public. Funding is provided by the Agawam Cultural Council, through a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

(The Agawam Cultural Council's December program will be watercolor artist Sandra Saitto.)



THE WORKS OF COMMUNITY ARTISTS on display at the Agawam Public Library. Stained glass and jewelry by Beverly Secondo-Wands; and Judith Anderson, wildlife art. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Local Kids' Group At Civic Center



KIT AND KABOODLE, the area's popular children's songsters, have been invited to be part of Kids' Day at the Springfield Civic Center on Sunday, November 1st with an 11:15 performance. The doors open at 11:00 a.m., and kids can come join the fun for only \$1.

Springfield Symphony To Host Renowned Pianist In Concert On November 7th

Alexei Sultanov's style is described by the *Los Angeles Times* as "a sensitive playing that flows from his arms and fingers with the naturalness of a lion's roar or a bird's cooing."

He will be returning to perform with Maestro Raymond Harvey and the Springfield Symphony Orchestra on Saturday, November 7th. The performance will take place at Springfield Symphony Hall and is scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m.

Scheduled to be included in this performance are Arvo Part's *Cantus in Memory of Benjamin Britten*, Chopin's Piano Concerto No. 2, and Mendelssohn's Symphony No. 3, *Scottish*. The concert itself is being sponsored by Baybank Valley.

Springfield was introduced to Sultanov in 1989 when he was the victor as well as the youngest competitor in the Eighth Van Cliburn International Piano Competition held in Fort Worth, Texas. At only 22 years old, Sultanov has already appeared on the *Today* show, the *Tonight* show with Johnny Carson, and *Late Night* with David Letterman.

He has toured the United States, Europe, and Japan. In addition to other recordings, he recently released a solo album including the works of Chopin, Rachmaninoff, and Beethoven. He and his wife now reside in Fort Worth, Texas.

The evening's program will open with a lyrical orchestral tribute by Estonian composer Arvo Part, *Cantus in Memory of Benjamin Britten*. Next, pianist Alexei Sultanov will perform Chopin's Piano Concerto No. 2, written when Chopin was only 19 in the summer of 1829.

The legendary composer received critical acclaim for the piece that summer in Vienna, noted as pianist for his combination of delicate fingering yet startling precision, and as composer for his innovative style and tender themes. Chopin admitted that the sweet melodies were influenced by his unrequited love for a conservatory classmate, Constantia Gladkowska.

The Springfield Symphony will also perform Felix Mendelssohn's *Scottish* Symphony, so called because the opening music for it was conceived during a trip to Scotland in 1829. In Edinburgh, Mendelssohn found inspiration for this well-known piece at Holyrood Palace, home of Mary, Queen of Scots.

A pre-concert Words on Music talk will be offered free to all ticket holders at 7:00 p.m. in Old

First Church, just across Court Square from Symphony Hall. Maestro Raymond Harvey will give an enjoyable presentation about the evening's program with tales of the life and times of the composers, background on the works, and musical highlights.

Tickets for the November 7th concert range in price from \$5 to \$30 and are on sale now at the Springfield Symphony Box Office, located on the mezzanine level of Baystate West. Tickets may be charged by phone at (413) 733-2291, and selected seats are also available at local Ticketmaster outlets, including G. Fox stores. Group, senior, and student discounts are available.

All concerts of the Springfield Symphony are funded in part by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Business Friends of the Arts.

For additional information, contact Marisa Brown or Jennifer Orr at (413) 733-0636.



SUFFIELD PLAYERS ARE IN REHEARSAL for "A Christmas Carol."

A Christmas Carol Next For Suf. Players

The Suffield Players' next production will be "A Christmas Carol: Scrooge and Marley," Israel Horowitz's adaptation of Dickens' classic story. This full-stage production of the family holiday classic will be performed with a cast of over 50 actors, singers, and musicians.

Directed by Lyle W. Pearsons of Suffield and Margie Secora of Southwick, "A Christmas Carol: Scrooge and Marley" will have six performances: December 4th, 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th, and 13th. All shows are at 8:00 p.m., except for the Sunday, December 13th, performance, which is a 2:00 p.m. matinee. Doors open one hour before each curtain, and the production will be staged at Suffield Senior High School, 350 Mountain Road, Suffield.

Tickets will go on sale November 12th. Adults are \$10, and children 12 and under are \$5; there is also a senior citizen discount of \$1 off. Reservations are strongly encouraged; call (203) 627-1900.

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Art Auction Set By Catholic Women

Art objects ranging from the affordable to the more collectable in varied media by a large number of artists will be presented in a public exhibition and auction, November 1st, by the Agawam Catholic Women's Club.

The preview of the show will be at 5:00 p.m. in the Social Center of St. John the Evangelist Church on Main Street.

The auction will follow, starting at 6:00 p.m. There will be 150-200 works of art, including works by such artists as: Delacroix, Neiman, Chagall, B. Wood, Miro, Boulanger and many others.

The auctioneer adds excitement to the program by relating stories and facts about the artists and the works. Media used includes: lithographs, oil paintings, silk screens, air brushes, etchings, watercolors, acrylics, and many more. All artwork is custom framed.

Conducting the exhibition and auction is Ross Galleries, Inc. of Holbrook, New York. Proceeds from this second annual event will benefit the civic, charitable and church projects of the Catholic Women's Club.

Tickets are \$3 per person and \$5 per couple. They can be secured in advance by calling either of the co-chairpersons, Mary Lou Vigue (786-1959), or Linda Bryskiewicz (789-0705), or at the door.

The committee feels it is offering the public a cultural and social Sunday evening as well as a convenient opportunity to become familiar with good, popular art.

There will be special refreshments.



CO-CHAIRING the November 1st Art Auction for the Catholic Women's Club are Linda Bryskiewicz and Mary Lou Vigue. Advertiser News

photo by Jack Devine.



MARY FERNANDES-SIERRA (as Cecily) and Cil Long (as Miss Prism) rehearsing a scene from "The Importance of Being Earnest."

"Being Earnest" At Feeding Hills Theater

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Education

Agawam High Sponsoring Five AFS Students

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

The Agawam High School teacher/student advisor for American Intercultural introduced five exchange students to the School Committee earlier this month.

Faculty member Mary Ellen Bruce-Hanrahan said AFS has been a part of Agawam for 18 years, and said the five new students are attending AHS for the entire school year. The five young women come from various parts of the globe as part of the AFS Intercultural Programs student exchange.

The first student, **Alia Khaled El Zayat** of Egypt, told the School Committee, "I really like the cooperation here with AFS students. The school system in Cairo is different, although we do have the same school year."

Alia is staying with Gus & Kathy Mouneimneh of Independence Drive in Feeding Hills. Her host family consists of two younger brothers (Zachary and Adam) and one younger sister (Leihla) as well.

School's A Bit Different At Home

Alia remarked, "It really shocked me that we have to change classes at the high school. In Egypt the teachers change, so I was really lost in the beginning."

Alia would have been a senior this year if she remained in Egypt. She is attending AHS as a senior this year and will graduate with the Class of 1993. She noted, "They do count this American diploma, so I will go to college when I return home." Alia is a member of the school's gymnastics team.

Eva Feldkamper is the first AFS German student at Agawam High School since 1981. Her host family is James & Barbara Fraser of Adams Street, Agawam.

She noted, "I like the multiple choice here where you can choose your classes. In Germany most classes are mandatory."

Eva lived in a small village in West Germany near the Netherlands border. She explained that after the fourth grade, "we have different schools. There is a second school where you can go for 10 years, then get a job; or there is a third school where you study for 13 years."

"I have two more years of school when I return (to Germany) and then I'm going to the university," she said.

School Committee Member Roberta Doering complimented Eva on her excellent English. Eva thanked her and explained that she had taken English from fifth through 10th grade. She added, "I also took Latin for four years and French for two years."

Brooke Priestly of Australia is staying with Henry & Sheila Mercolino of Barry Street in Feeding Hills during her one-year stay in the United States.

More Variety In Classes

She remarked, "The school's education is at a very good standard here. In Australia there is more variety. My school has a lot of technical classes, and English is the only compulsory class. My school is public and technical."

Brooke is not as fortunate as Alia in that her year here at Agawam High School will not be counted toward her education in Australia when she returns this summer.

She said, "I will have one-half more year beginning in January. Then I will have two more years before attending the university."

Brooke has two host sisters, Elie and Erin, a junior at AHS.

Patricia Quevedo Lailla of Paraguay is staying with David & Theresa Gallerani of Deering Street in Agawam while attending AHS. The Galleranis' daughter, Kristin, met Patricia during this past summer while she was on an AFS eight-week program in Paraguay. The host sisters have enjoyed each other through both cultures.

Patricia told the board, "The school here is so different. Thank you so much for making me welcome in your town."

Mrs. Doering asked Patricia how much experience she had had with the English language, and was told Patricia took English "for eight months."

She also said, "I have to do three months more of school when I go back to Paraguay before I can go to college. They do not count my time here."

Patricia also has another host sister, Lisa, and a host brother, David.

The fifth AFS student was **Marie Trincaretto** from France, who had just arrived in Agawam on Friday, October 9th. She is being hosted by Al &



AGAWAM HIGH'S 1992-93 American Intercultural Program (AFS) students with faculty advisor Mary Ellen Bruce-Hanrahan. From left - Mrs. Bruce-Hanrahan, Brooke Priestly (Australia), Eva Feldkamper (Germany), Alia Kahled El Zayat (Egypt), Patricia Quevedo Lailla (Paraguay), and Marie Trincaretto (France). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MAYOR CHRISTOPHER C. JOHNSON (left) gave Agawam High AFS students proclamations making them honorary citizens of Agawam. From left - Mayor Johnson, Alia Khaled El Zayat, Brooke Priestly, Mary Ellen Bruce-Hanrahan (AHS faculty advisor), Bernard Ryder (superintendent of schools), Eva Feldkamper (Germany), and Patricia Quevedo Lailla (Paraguay). RELATED PHOTO ON NEXT PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Teri Machia of North Street Extension, Feeding Hills.

Marie said she lived in northern France about five miles from the Belgium border. She explained, "We have an honorary diploma after ninth grade, but it doesn't matter if you pass it or not to go on to high school."

Since grade five, Marie has taken English. She added, "I took English for seven years. I have already graduated in France and I will go to the university when I go back home."

Marie has a host sister, Selena, a freshman at AHS, and host brother, Jeff.

Have Already Contributed To The Community

Mrs. Bruce-Hanrahan said, "These students have already contributed a great deal to the community. We use the students all the time at the high school, and all the other students in Agawam are welcome to use their services while they are here. They are invited to many intercultural events."

AFS students must follow strict guidelines for acceptance into its programs. These students were tested on their academic performance as well as interviewed to determine if they were appropriate candidates for such a program.

The students are then carefully matched with U.S. host parents like the families this year. Good grades are also a factor with AFS because the student must be enrolled in a full schedule in AHS.

According to Mrs. Bruce-Hanrahan, "Our chapter has hosted more students from all over the world than most chapters in New England, and local students have participated in the AFS program abroad."

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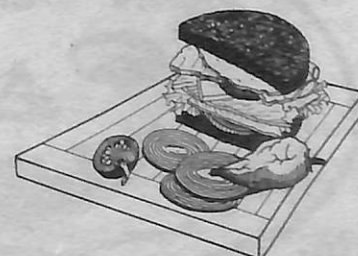
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Educational Magazine Being Planned For Distribution In Town

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Jonathan Carson, publisher for the newsletter *EDUCATION TODAY*, met with eight Agawam citizens at the Agawam Public Library on Monday evening to discuss the formation of a new magazine that will be distributed soon in our community.

Carson said, "The initial circulation (of this magazine) will be between 10 to 20 times larger than *EDUCATION TODAY*."

EDUCATION TODAY is published by The Educational Publishing Group, Inc. (EPG), which is comprised of a Board of Advisors interested in "helping parents make a difference" in education.

According to the August/September 1992 issue, "The mission of *EDUCATION TODAY* is to help parents support the education of their children, champion success, promote local involvement, and communicate the value of education in society."

Agawam businessman Robert Block of Block Jewelers, located at the Route 57 rotary in Agawam, acts as a local representative of EPG to help market *EDUCATION TODAY*. He also attended the brainstorming session with Jessica Simmons (who will be the editor of the new magazine) to gather input and data from the Agawam parents group.

School Committee members Susan Pettazzoni and Louise David have supported Block in his efforts to find local businesses willing to subsidize the distribution of the newsletter to Agawam parents.

Mrs. Pettazzoni was instrumental in organizing the group of local representation at Monday's meeting, according to Block.

Profile On Male & Female Students

Carson began the group discussion by gathering a profile on the grades and number of male/female students represented by the families in attendance. Grades ranged from early elementary levels to college graduates, with the ratio of two girls to every one boy.

Block began by saying, "The purpose of this focus group is to get some feedback from parents on your concerns, hopes, and needs as parents because we are here to serve parents."

Carson polled the parents to see where they felt the position of the new magazine should focus. The parents present said a focus towards helping within the infrastructure of the family (than on tips to get parents more involved in the educational process) would probably appeal to a wider spectrum of middle-class Americans.

Carson asked parents to express their ideas on which type of fundamental philosophy would be more apt to "hook" parents, or get them to read the new magazine: love, fear, hope, or guilt.

Most argued that although fear and guilt sometimes played a factor in parenting and teen life, hope and a sense of "fairness" would have greater appeal to the masses.

Librarian Jeanne Hoffman did encourage Carson to continue with articles such as a prior issue of *EDUCATION TODAY* in which "it talked about how parents can be more in touch with their children."

"Parents were assured it was okay to have concerns and to approach the school or the teacher."

She noted, "As the children's librarian in town, I see a lot of parents who could do a lot in the school society, but are probably just afraid or shy about approaching."

Apathy Or Different Priorities?

Arguments were raised as to whether parents were uninvolved due to apathy or priorities in the field of education. Granger Principal Phyllis Lewis felt that the economy forced many parents in a situation where time factored involvement only when necessary.

She said, "I don't feel education is not a priority, but unless parents are unhappy with something that is going on in their child's education, they are very willing to sit back and say, 'Well, you do it; that's your job.' As long as they feel you are doing okay, they do not feel the need to be involved."

Mrs. Pettazzoni concurred that time was definitely a big factor, and suggested that the magazine concentrate on succinct literature that could offer helpful suggestions and be read within a short span.

She said, "We are all busy juggling our own work schedules and transporting our children to and from their outside activities; and yet we want that precious quality time with our children."

All agreed that a good segment of the Agawam population would benefit from a publication of this sort; the only question that seemed to go unanswered was whether or not they would take the time to read it.

Senator Melconian Honors Foreign Students



STATE SENATOR LINDA J. MELCONIAN presented Agawam High American Inter-cultural Programs (AFS) students with citations from the State Senate welcoming them to Massachusetts. From left - Alia Khaled El Zayat (Egypt), Brooke Priestly (Australia), Senator Melconian, Eva Feldkamper (Germany), and Patricia Quevedo Laila (Paraguay). PHOTOS, STORY on previous page. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Edward J. Carroll Of Riverside Park Chosen New Chairman Of Bay Path Trustees

At a recent meeting of the Bay Path College Board of Trustees, a new chairman and vice chairman were elected, and new members were added to the Board and the Advisory Council.

Edward J. Carroll, Jr. of Longmeadow, general manager of Riverside Park in Agawam and a board member since 1981, is the new chairman; and Mrs. Jeanne D'Amour of Somers, Connecticut, clerk of the corporation of Big Y Foods, Inc., a Bay Path alumna, and a trustee since 1984, was named vice chairman.

Robert G. Abair of Agawam, vice president and chief administrative officer of Western Massachu-

setts Electric Company, was elected a trustee after previous service on the College's Advisory Council. A graduate of American International College, he joined Northeast Utilities/WMECO in 1959 and has served in various capacities throughout his career.

He is also a trustee and incorporator of the Easthampton Savings Bank, a member of the executive committee and board of directors of the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce, and on the boards of directors of the Safety Council of Western Massachusetts, Junior Achievement of Western Massachusetts, Springfield Central, and Valley 2000.

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Tuesday, November 3rd: Hamburg in roll, seasoned seven-minute cabbage, steamed parsley rice, pineapple tidbits or chocolate pudding with topping, milk.

Wednesday, November 4th: Rotini with meat sauce, confetti cole slaw, Italian bread & butter, fresh Mac apple or jello with topping, milk.

Thursday, November 5th: Pork cubes with gravy, whipped potato, niblet corn, bread & butter, chocolate brownie, milk.

Friday, November 6th: Grilled cheese sandwich, pickle chips, oven potato puffs, catsup, chilled mixed fruit cup or pudding with topping, milk.

(NOTE: Please remember to purchase your tickets on Mondays for the week. Personal checks are accepted, payable to the Agawam School Lunch.)

Agawam Students At Rensselaer Institute

The following local students have enrolled as freshmen (class of 1996) at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute:

Christopher Michael Dudek, 55 Forest Road, Agawam, majoring in engineering; **Christopher David Roy**, 34 Forge Street, Feeding Hills, majoring in computer science; and **Sean M. Sullivan**, 32 Morningside Circle, Feeding Hills, majoring in engineering.

The 1,100-member class of 1996 has an outstanding academic profile. According to Rensselaer's admissions office, about 57 percent of this year's freshmen were in the top 10 percent of their high school classes.

The students also attained high standardized test scores. On the Scholastic Aptitude Test, where a perfect score is 1600, the combined SAT math plus verbal scores for the middle percent of the entering freshmen are in the range 1100-1290.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute is the oldest technological university in America. Since it was founded in 1824, many of its graduates have become corporate leaders, scientists, engineers, technologists, and inventors whose work has shaped the modern world.

Rensselaer is known for its rigorous academic programs, its strengths in aeronautics, engineering, robotics, and computer science, and its programs in the sciences, architecture, management, and the humanities and social sciences. It is an independent, coeducational, non-sectarian university with approximately 4,100 undergraduate and 2,100 graduate students.

Junior High PTO Reports On Meeting

The Agawam Junior High School P.T.O. held its monthly meeting on Monday, October 19th.

Ways and Means Chairperson Linda Robinson reported that this year's magazine fundraising drive was a tremendous success. The P.T.O. will use these funds to offset the cost of field trips and underwrite enrichment programs at the junior high.

At the request of English Department Chairperson Doug Walsh, partial funding was approved for the December 14th trip for eighth graders to Symphony Hall.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 16th at 7:30 p.m. in the junior high cafeteria. All seventh and eighth grade parents are welcome.

NON-USERS CLUB - from Page 1...

He noted, "Mayor Johnson said he is a lawyer, and I am, too. We know the commitment you have made in signing your contracts. You are making some serious life choice at a young age."

Walsh added, "One word that we will all echo is pride. We are proud of you, as you should be of yourselves. To realize the consequences of your actions at this age is very impressive." Both Walsh and Johnson are products of Agawam schools.

Littlefield offered his congratulations to both students and parents, remarking, "I look forward to the day when the entire enrollment of the Junior High can actually become members of the Club."

Words From The New Superintendent

Ryder related memories of junior high school as a time when "life is full and happy" (although he had a lung collapse at that age). He noted that if he had smoked, surgery may not have saved his life.

He also told the students that his daughter once had an emergency which required the use of a chemical "with a half-life of 14 minutes at the cost of \$10,400 for one dose."

Ryder said if his daughter had been under the influence of other drugs or alcohol, the medication may not have appropriately responded during the precious time span (half-life) to save her life.

He concluded, "If you maintain your oath of membership, you may make it through your older years because you have maintained a healthy, happy life."

Johnson recognized fellow School Committee members Linda Galarneau, Susan Pettazzoni, and Louise David before telling students of a serious accident he had been involved in, caused by "someone who had been drinking."

The Mayor told students that the driver had caused him to "lose all my teeth in my upper right jaw, get a concussion, and almost lost my life because someone else was drinking."

He added, "While I lay in the hospital after the car crash, I thought, 'Even if you don't do it to yourself, you may kill someone you love or someone you don't even know' if you drink and drive."

Johnson then pointed out how his commitment to remain drug-free had helped him to become successful, saying, "Remember, your life can be just as successful (as mine) if you take seriously the contract you signed to stay tobacco-, alcohol-, and drug-free."

Ryan told students they were supported by their families, school, town, state, and "even the country" through a letter from President George Bush.

Junior Women's Club Assists Non-Users

He recognized the Agawam Junior Women's Club, represented by president Rosalie Dialessi, as a "new edition of support that will provide trophies for the Three-Point Foul Shooting Contest to be conducted again this year."

Agawam Lioness president Rosemarie Maniscalco and member Janet Gallerani (DARE Officer Donald Gallerani's mother) were on hand to help distribute "Just Say No" pops to all the members and will again donate to the Club.

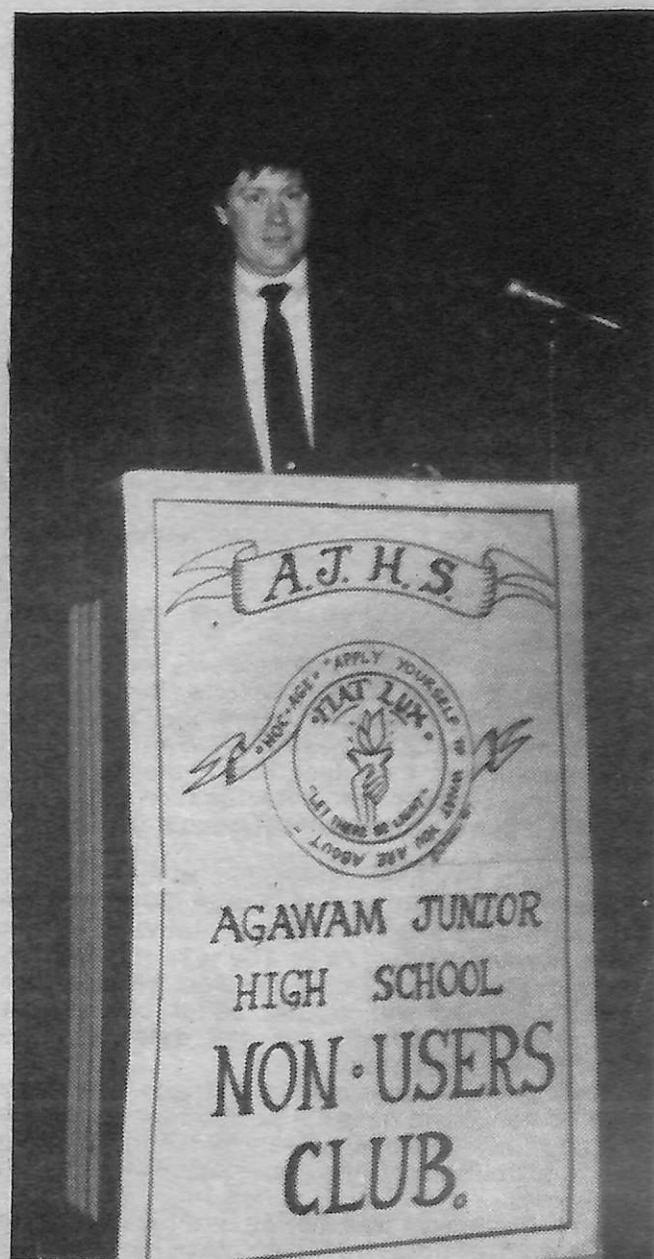
Reverend Curt Fuller from the Agawam Rotary Club, which donated keyrings to all the members, told students, "You can make a difference in the lives of others. Thank you for your choice."

Ryan then acknowledged faculty advisors Gerry O'Malley, Andrew Kraus, Debbie LaMotte, Ellie Placzek, Doris Delevo, Marion Barre, Diane Gendron (teacher assistant), Marie Mazza, Donna Garvulinski, and Marilyn Johnson, R.N., for their support and dedication.

He read off the names of elected members of the Student Advisory Panel who will act as aides to the Club advisors. They include **Christine Ronca**, **Melissa Troie**, **Mike Grasseti**, and **Todd Jorgensen**, grade eight; and **Alison Scherban**, **Stephanie Fleming**, **Carolyn Clini**, and **Kate Anderson**, grade seven.

Ryan concluded the program by drawing names from a jar to distribute prizes donated from various businesses.

The Non-User's Club plans to repeat some of the successful events of last year, such as the Holiday Food Fest, Jump for Heart, Gym and Swim, Three-Point Contest, and the Video Extravaganza, as part of this year's activities.



AGAWAM JUNIOR HIGH NON-USERS Club advisor, James Ryan, addressing gathering before 341 students are inducted into the Non-Users Club at the school. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Special Needs Parents Invited To Meeting At Junior High

An invitation is extended to all parents of special needs children to attend a meeting to be held in the teachers' cafeteria at the Agawam Junior High School on Thursday, November 5th, at 6:30 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to re-establish a Parent Advisory Council (PAC) of special needs parents and other interested parents.

The guest at this meeting will be Miss Linda Estes, Esq., an attorney and special education specialist with the Department of Education.

Phelps PTO Again To Hold Election Day Bake Sale

Phelps P.T.O. members will be holding their annual Election Day Bake Sale in the auditorium of Phelps School on Tuesday, November 3rd.

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Mass. Superintendents Recognize Top Senior At Agawam High

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Outgoing Superintendent of Schools James Bruno presented Agawam High School senior Brian Brunelle with a Certificate of Academic Excellence from the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents this week.

Bruno told Brian that this honor has been presented due to the outstanding academic record held throughout Brian's school career in Agawam. Bruno congratulated Brian for his achievements and wished him well in his college education after graduation this year.

Bruno will retire this November after more than 30 years in educational teaching and administration within the Agawam public schools. Last year Bruno was recognized by the Mass. Association of School Superintendents for 20 years of service as an administrator in Agawam.

Brian will also conclude his career in the Agawam schools, which began at Phelps Elementary School, with graduation in June 1993.

The Brunelles have three children. Brian's father, Bill Brunelle, teaches computers at AHS, and his mother, Gail Brunelle, is a fifth grade teacher at Agawam Middle School. Brian also has an older brother, Chris, and an older sister, Laurie, who are both alumni of AHS.

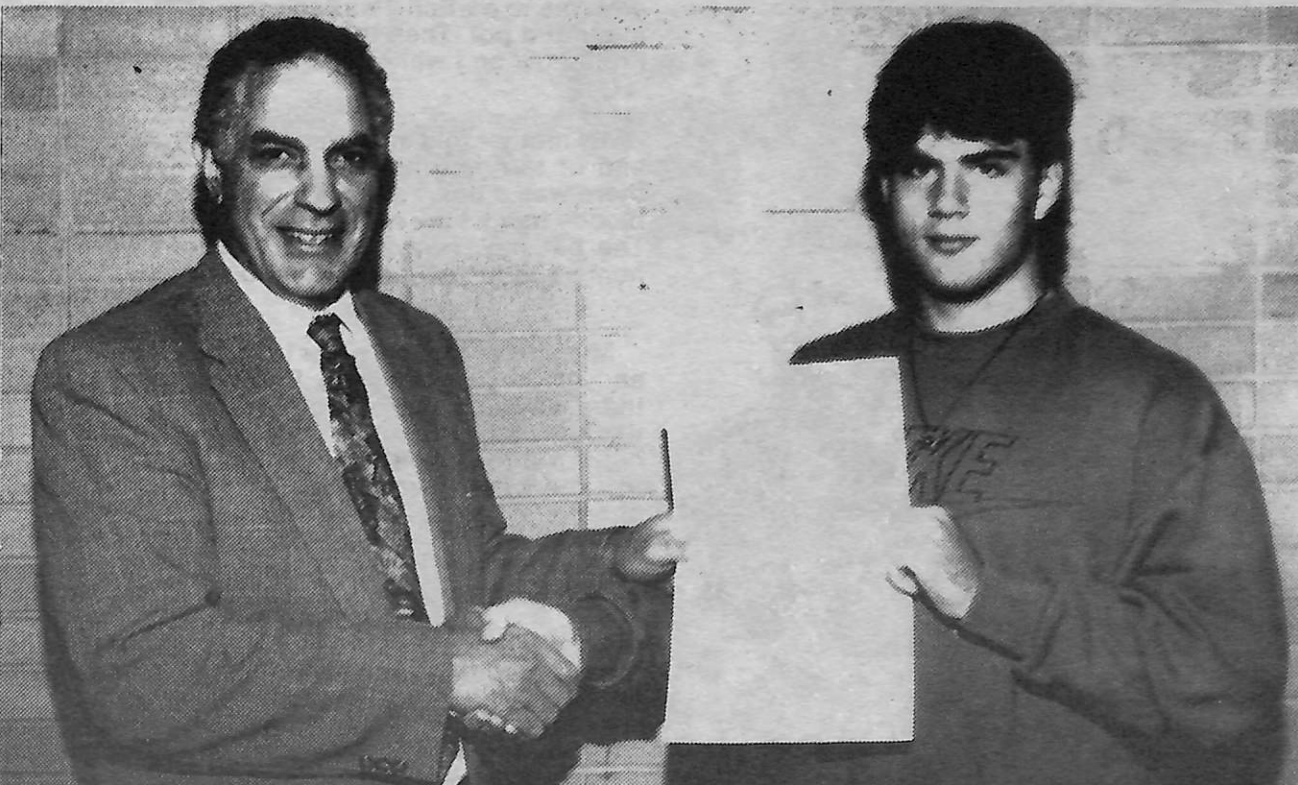
Presently, Brian is ranked number one in the class of 1993 standings with a grade point average of 100.62.

Last year during his induction to National Honor Society as a junior, Brian's cumulative grade was announced four points higher (104.62), causing many heads to turn. He modestly told us, "I think it was just a typing error."

To hold a cumulative grade average that exceeds 100 percent (even if only by sixth-tenths) is still an impressive academic accomplishment, especially when reviewing Brian's course selections during his high school career.

"High Ability" Courses

Throughout high school, most of Brian's



OUTGOING SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS James V. Bruno, Jr., congratulates Agawam High senior Brian Brunelle with a "Certificate of Excellence" from the Mass. Association of School Superintendents. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

classes have been "high ability" tracked. In his junior year, Brian opted to take Advanced Placement biology and U.S. history. He did not take the A.P. test for history, but scored four out of a possible five for the A.P. biology test in May of last year.

Last spring Brian was also made a member of the AHS Societe Honoraire de Francais (French Honor Society) and has taken four years of French.

In June, Brian became a Rensselaer College medalist, which enables him to become eligible for a \$5,000 scholarship each of the four years of college (if he chooses to apply to Rensselaer and is accepted). He received the same options to attend Rochester Institute of Technology (R.I.T.) through his Bauch & Lomb Science Award.

Brian said he does plan to apply to Rensselaer,

R.I.T., and Worcester Polytechnic Institute. "I may also apply to Amherst College," he said.

This year at AHS, Brian is concentrating, once again, on a heavy academic workload with A.P. physics, calculus, and English. He is a member of the entertainment staff for the school student newspaper (the MIRROR) and is a varsity football player.

Brian is a well-rounded student who played soccer for the Agawam Soccer Association for 10 years. He is a member for the AHS student group S.A.D.D. (Students Against Drunk Driving). He also received the Dartmouth Book Award this fall.

He plans to major in biology in college, with a minor in computer science. For the past five years, he has worked at a lab at Springfield Technical Community College programming computers during the summer.

Elementary Students Learning Foreign Languages

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

The foreign language program that began as a pilot with Granger Elementary School last year has blossomed to include three other schools in Agawam this fall.

Granger Principal Phyllis Lewis said, "Granger now has two Spanish classes and one French class this year. Everything seems to be going well, and the students are really enjoying the programs."

This year Phelps and Robinson Park elementary schools have been added to the program. Both of these schools have one Spanish and one French class each being conducted for the fall programs. Clark School has a Spanish class.

Robinson Park is running its program on a before-school schedule because of the later start-

ing time, while Granger, Phelps, and Clark's programs are run as afterschool activities.

The fee of \$35 per month includes insurance coverage and snacks, with a graduation ceremony at the completion of the four-month program. The first programs began in October and will run through January. It is hoped that a second program can run from February through May.

Mrs. Lewis said many Granger students are also participating in the Magic Mix Program, which is run at Heritage Hall Nursing Home after school four times per week.

"The students and the seniors really enjoy working together, and it seems to have worked out very well," she said.

Granger School's Adelphi team is also off to a good start again this year. Mrs. Lewis noted, "We have a lot of new parents that want to get involved this year, and we have a very strong PTO that is very helpful."

"The Adelphi team passed out pumpkin pencils to all of our students Monday morning (October 26th), and they plan to pass out apples on Thursday. I'm happy to see Adelphi's spirit of encouraging positive self-esteem among our students, staff, and parents is alive and well," she said, adding, "It makes it very enjoyable to work in an atmosphere where everyone is working together to create a strong, healthy environment for learning."

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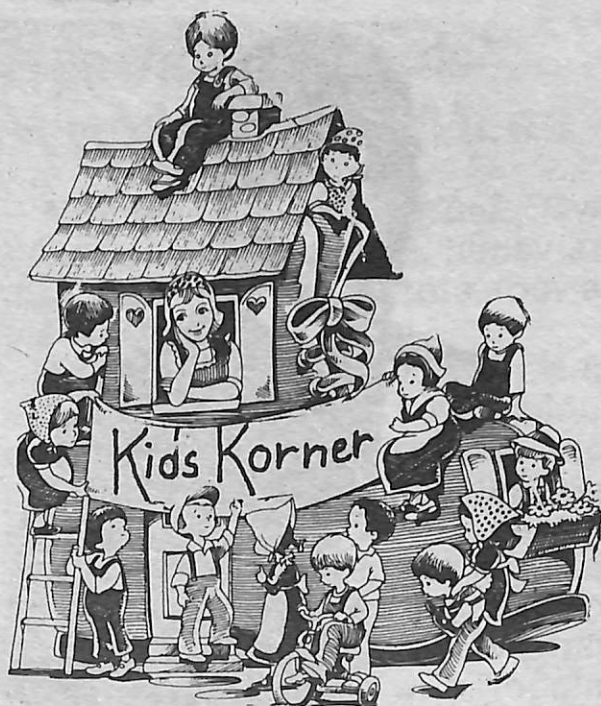
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My mother told me never to open the door at the end of the long hallway. But one day I did and I met up with a witch. It was making some brew with rats and skeleton bones. The witch said I had to eat a lot. After I ate a lot, the witch said I would have to go into the brew. She heated it for two hours and then she put in the rat and the skeleton. I tried to get away but the witch caught me. She tried to put me into the pot but I put her in instead. Ha! Ha! That was the end of the witch.

Shawn Summers

My mother told me never to open the door at the end of the long hallway. But one day I did and there was a devil and a werewolf. The devil stabbed me. Then I took his fork and killed the devil and the werewolf. I ran home and my mom patched me up. I will never open that door again!

Mike Locke

My mother told me never to open the door at the end of the long hallway. But one day I did and I saw another dark hallway. I thought it was a way to go to a haunted house. Then I saw a door and I opened it. I saw a ghost and it took me away. The ghost gave me to Frankenstein. Frankenstein

gave me to a witch. I was so scared! The witch put me into a pot. Then the witch left and I escaped. From now on I will not go there again!

Alfonso Santaniello

My mother told me never to open the door at the end of the long hallway. But one day I did and there was a box. I opened it. A bat flew out with a bloody hand. I ran next door to my friend's house. The bat flew away into the woods. I went back home and never opened the door again!

Daniel Dreniak

My mother told me never to open the door at the end of the long hallway. But one day I did and there was a cat and a witch. Then I ran back down the hallway and I ran to my room. I hid under my bed for a few minutes. Then I got up and the cat and the witch weren't there. I was glad they were gone!

Christina Sticco

ON A MOONLESS NIGHT

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and ...

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and many zombies walked around me. The lights went out. Then spirits were around me. I screamed and then fainted. I was buried underground. I pushed myself back up. Everything was still there. I was very scared. Then I woke up. It was just a dream. I was glad.

Lindsey Bassi

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and I saw a devil looking at me! I nodded my head and he was gone. I walked up to a grave that said Lucifer on it. Then two zombies jumped out from behind the grave. I ran so hard I didn't see there was a witch and some bats. I ran faster. Then I saw a werewolf but he was afraid of me! As I ran by a pond I saw a ship and skeletons of pirates. I ran to my house. I was glad to be home!

Sean McKeever

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and I saw a bat. I turned around again and saw Dracula. I was scared so I ran all the way home. The next day I went back to the cemetery and everything was quiet. All there was was dead people. It must have been a dream.

Johanna Masotti

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and I saw some witches, a cat, a ghost, and some bats. I was so scared I ran. Then I saw a werewolf with a bloody hand and it touched me. I was surrounded by all sorts of ghosts and I saw things falling from the sky. When I got home my family was all dead, so I went

to my friend's house. They were laying on the floor. I was so tired I fell asleep. When I woke up everything was all right again. I guess it was a dream.

Daniel Sherry

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and I saw some pumpkins. Then I saw a real witch and a ghost. The witch had warts. They tied me up with a rope. The rope was big and tight. The witch and the ghost liked to hurt kids. They were mean. My mom and dad came to save me. Mom had a blade and she cut the rope. My dad carried me home.

Elizabeth Haire

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and zombies were all around me. The graves were opening up and devils came out. I ran as fast as I could back to my home. I never went there again!

Brian Marsh

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and a skeleton and a witch came at me. So did Dracula and a scary werewolf. I ran as fast as I could. I got away and I never went there again because I was so scared.

Nicole Rheume

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and I saw a ghost! It took me away. It took me to a swamp. It tied me up. While he was talking to another ghost, I untied the rope and ran away. I ran right home.

Brittany Taylor

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and I saw a black cat. Then I heard another noise. I turned around again and a ghost flashed before my eyes. I screamed and then I ran out of the graveyard. I ran home and I never went back again!

Christin Cillimberg

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and there was a goblin, a phantom, and a spirit. I ran! When I stopped there were more people behind me! A witch was behind me, a vampire, and the devil too. I ran faster. A ghost came out of a grave. He was behind me too. Someone tapped me on the shoulder. I turned around. There was Frankenstein. I ran and I did not stop running. I came to an old house and I went in. I heard my dad calling me. I was home!

Kristan LaGuercia

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THE KIDS' KORNER class of Barbara Daborowski, Grade Two, Room 10, Phelps School.

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THE KIDS' KORNER CLASS of Bridget O'Brien, Grade 2, Room 9, Phelps School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Phelps School Room 9 Bridget O'Brien

MY BROOMSTICK RIDE

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On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and there were two soldiers. One looked like a skeleton and the other one looked like a zombie. I ran and they started to chase me! One had a gun and he started shooting. One shot just missed me. I picked up a rock and threw it at the gun. I knocked it out of his hand. Oh dear! What am I doing on the floor? I must have fallen out of bed. It must have been a nightmare. Good night.

Ryan Laczynski

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and I saw a vampire. It had blood on its mouth and on its hand. It had two long teeth. I was scared! He put me in a cage. I grabbed the keys and I unlocked the door to get out. The vampire turned into a bat and flew away. I went home.

Michael Piccin

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and I saw a skeleton. It told me to go into the haunted house three times. So I went in. I saw scary things so I ran outside. I saw the skeleton again and it said it was going to kill me. "No! No!" I said. And I ran home.

Chris Malloy

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and a vampire jumped out of his grave. A skeleton was behind him. I was surrounded. Two mice came and scared the vampire and skeleton away. I ran home and got the mice some cheese.

Daveen Macsata

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and a mummy jumped out at me. A goblin and a vampire came out at me with bloody hands. A black cat and a witch chased me! A skeleton and a ghost came out of their grave. I was so very scared that I screamed and ran away.

Linda Kelley

On a moonless night, I took a shortcut through the old cemetery. Suddenly I heard a noise. I turned around very slowly and I saw ten skeletons. On the other side of me were zombies. There was a hole underneath them. This other thing was throwing lightning bolts and a demon was shooting fire at him. All the tombs fell but I found a magic wand and made every thing disappear. I went to the end of the hall and I ran away from there as fast as I could.

Eric Harris

I was trick or treating when a witch came by and gave me a ride. Then we went to a party at her castle. We had fun at the castle. We played games and we bobbed for apples. We had lots of fun. Then we picked pumpkins and then we carried them. The witch and I went to another party and got lots of candy. Then the witch and I went to another party. I ate too much and got sick. The end.

Vincent Moretti

I saw a witch on a broom. She took me in the sky. We went to a castle where bats came at us. At the castle, there were ghosts, witches, and goblins. Some witches were making brew. There were cats and jack-o'-lanterns all around the castle.

Jordi Garcia

On Halloween night, there was a broom in the road. I got on the broom and flew to the moon. I saw a jack-o'-lantern. I saw a skeleton walking around. I saw a black cat and a ghost.

Andrea Greaney

On my broomstick ride with a witch I saw a jack-o'-lantern. I saw a ghost. I saw witches and goblins. I went to the witch's castle. I went to the moon with her.

Andy Hebert

On Halloween night I found a broomstick. I saw a witch and goblins. The witch said come on so I got on. We went up fast. I looked down and I saw people. We stopped and had a pizza. We played some games with a frog. Then I had to go back home.

David Bienia

I went on a ride with a witch. I saw the moon and the stars. She took me to her castle. She tried to put me in her brew but I got away. She came after me on her broom. She tied me up. She was going to cast a spell on the world and the people but she didn't.

Greg Cizek

I was walking down the street and all of a sudden a broomstick and a witch fell down beside me. The witch took me to her big, spooky castle. I went in and saw a skeleton. There was a black cat in a dark, dark corner with yellow scary eyes. I saw lots of spiders and bats. There were some zom-

bies. There were witches everywhere. I saw lots of ghosts, too. I see lots of walking pumpkins with carved out faces. The witches were making lots of brew. Do you want some brew? I had a good time at the castle.

Melissa Harrington

I was taking a walk on Halloween when a witch came down. She was with some ghosts and with her cat! She asked if I'd like a ride. We went to her castle. There were goblins with 90 eyes at her castle! They were making witch's brew. The brew had cobwebs, bat eyes, and cold water. I had some punch at the party. The witch took me to a grand party. Then she brought me home. Finally, I crept upstairs to bed.

Christopher Martin

I was walking down the road on Halloween night when a broomstick dropped out of the sky with a witch on it. She told me to get on it with her and she would take me to her castle. We had a party with ghosts and goblins and bats and cats. Her castle was spooky and the fields around it were scary. There was a big yellow moon above the castle. We made witch's brew and then we had a spooky costume party. Wooooooo!

Tara Witte

I flew on a witch's broomstick. There was a black cat and a witch on the broomstick with me. The witch had a big wart on her chin. On my ride I saw jack-o'-lanterns. I saw little boys and girls in costumes walking on the sidewalk. I saw a scary black bat. I saw a ghost flying near the moon.

Angela Buendo

One night I went on a broomstick ride. I went to the witch's house where she makes the brew. And I went to the graveyard and saw ghosts and goblins and lots of witches, to. (I just wish that I could go home.)

Julie Pontz

On my broomstick ride with a witch I saw a black cat and a yellow moon. I saw a ghost. I saw some bats. I saw pumpkins. I saw some witches. I saw scary Halloween costumes.

Joseph Sparveri

I went on a broomstick ride with a witch and her cat. I saw a ghost and some goblins. We went to her castle. Then she landed. Boo! The witch is me. The end.

Cori Noony

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Agawam Junior High Band Parents To Co-Sponsor Instrumental Workshop

The Agawam Junior High School Parent/Teacher Organization and the Massachusetts Music Educators Association will co-sponsor an instrumental music workshop with guest clinician, Walter Chesnut.

This event will take place all day on Friday, November 13th, in the Agawam Junior High Auditorium. The morning workshop will consist of a live band rehearsal with Mr. Chesnut from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. The afternoon session will consist of an informal discussion about band rehearsal techniques.

Approximately 20 band directors from Western Massachusetts are scheduled to observe the morning rehearsal and to attend Mr. Chesnut's seminar in the afternoon. Parents and friends who plan to attend the morning session should notify Tammy Watson in advance at Agawam Junior High (789-1400, ext. 460). Admission to this event is free.

It is indeed an honor to host a musician of such caliber in Agawam. Walter Chesnut has been a professor of music at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst since 1967. Active as an educator, performer, and conductor, he teaches applied trumpet courses at the university.

Professor Chesnut began his career at the University of Michigan where he received both his Bachelor and Master of Music and was soloist with the University Symphony Band. From 1959-1962, he was school-wide band director in Colon, Michigan, and from 1962-1966 was junior high band and orchestra director in Sturgis, Michigan.

His ensembles were consistent first division winners in district and state competition, and his reputation as clinician, soloist, and adjudicator became widely known in the Midwest.

After coming to the University of Massachusetts, Professor Chesnut founded the Brass Choir and has been its conductor from 1970-1977 and again from 1979-1984. He directed the Brass Choir on a Romanian tour in 1976 and at a special appearance before the Eastern Music Educators National Conference in 1981. He was director of the Amherst-Mount Holyoke Orchestra in 1973-1974.

More recently, Mr. Chesnut has conducted the All East Band, in conjunction with the Eastern Division In-Service meeting in Boston in 1983. He has conducted the All New England Band three times, as well as 57 other band and orchestra festivals.

Professor Chesnut has been a member of seven symphony orchestras and was principal trumpet in the Springfield (Massachusetts) Symphony Orchestra from 1967 to 1973. Highlights of his many appearances as a guest soloist include European tours with the University Chorale in 1970, with the Worcester Polytechnic Institute Glee Club in 1975.

He has toured the eastern United States with several organists, performing Baroque trumpet literature. His recently released recording for trumpet and organ is available on the AFKA label, and his second and third recordings will be available soon on the same label.

This season his engagements include a recital at Columbia University, soloist with the University of Massachusetts Minuteman Marching Band, Conductor of the NECC Music Festival - Suffield, CT; Central District Band, Ayre, MA; Northern Region Festival Band, CT; Artist in Residence, Dallas, TX;



WALTER CHESNUT

Clinician All East Convention, Springfield, MA; adjudicator All American Festivals and National Events and conductor, All New England Band, Norwich, CT.

An exuberant personality, Walter Chesnut has had an great success with his educational outreach program started in 1959. Entitled "The History of the Trumpet in Sight and Sound," the program has been enthusiastically received in hundreds of schools and clubs throughout the Midwest and East.

Professor Chesnut is a member of Kappa Psi, Phi Mu Alpha, Alpha Sigma Lambda and Pi Kappa Lambda music fraternities and societies and is on the Advisory Council of the All American Festivals, Salt Lake City, Utah and National Events - Salt Lake City, Utah.

He is also a member of the Massachusetts Music Educators Association (MMEA) which awarded him the Lowell Mason award in 1981 and the Distinguished Service to Music Education award in 1983. He has served as higher education representative for four terms on the MMEA State Executive Board.

Formerly he was President of District II Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association and a member of the American School Band Directors Association. He was awarded the Chancellor's Medal for Distinguished Service to the University and Commonwealth at the 1985 Commencement Ceremonies.

In 1990 he was named "Conductor of the Year" by the Massachusetts Instrumental Conductors Association (MICA) and was presented the "Distinguished Teacher Award" by the University in 1992.

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One night a witch came down to me. She asked if I would come for a ride. I said yes. She took me to her house. She showed me her brew. She took out her broom and flew off. She had another broom that I took. I flew away and never came back.

Eric McLaughlin

I was trick or treating on Halloween when a witch flew down to me and said come with me. I went with her and we flew on her broomstick. We flew away to my house to turn my sister into a fish. Then we flew to the witch's house to see her friend, Frankenstein.

Joey Trombley

I went on a broomstick ride. I went to the pumpkin patch. Then I went to a spooky field where a ghost sneaked up behind me. I went to the spooky witch's party. Then I went home. My mom was worried.

Mandy Stork

I saw a broomstick on the ground. There was a witch right next to it. She asked if she could take me for a ride. She brought me to her castle. I saw her making some brew in her castle. She asked if I would like some brew. I said, "No." I asked if she liked it. She said yes! I saw goblins eating brew, too.

Paul Pilegi

I went on a broomstick ride with a witch. I saw stars. I saw ghosts. We went to her castle. She gave me some candy. I saw pumpkins all around the castle.

Phillip Preston

I went with a witch on a broomstick. We went to her castle. That was fun. We had a pizza party. At the party there were marshmallowmen at the party. Devils came out of the ground with their horns on their heads. There were talking pumpkins at the party.

Michael DeFilippi

I went on a broomstick ride with a witch. I saw many kids trick or treating. We saw lots of pumpkins. I saw scary masks. I saw my house. The witch pointed out her house. It looked very old and scary. I saw many houses. The end.

Scott Howes

On Halloween night I was out trick or treating when a witch landed and pulled me onto her broom. She flew away with me. Then she flew to an old house and took me in. She touched a wall and a secret door opened. She pulled me into her laboratory and picked up a potion and threw it on me and I turned into a pumpkin. Well unfortunately I still am.

Sean Burke

One night I was walking and a witch came. She stopped with her feet. She asked if I wanted a ride. I said yes! We went to her castle. We made some brew. We put lots of snakes. Then we put some rabbit's ears in it. Then we got on her broomstick again. We flew around town. We had a lot of fun. It was late so I had to go home. Every Halloween she comes back.

McKenzie Michaels

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Middle School PTO Activities

At the recently held (October 5th) Agawam Middle School PTO board meeting, reports were given concerning the successful fundraiser and "Back to School Night," and the following topics were also discussed by the members:

Halloween Dress-Up Day was scheduled for this Thursday, October 29th. Everyone who dressed up received a prize, and each student was given the opportunity to contribute to UNICEF (a 25¢ donation per student was suggested).

The Agawam PTO presidents met with Mr. Ryder, the new Superintendent of Schools. Ideas were discussed regarding how he can be involved with the schools in an effort to foster better communication. One of his priorities is school libraries.

The sixth grade band has been selected to represent Agawam and the state of Massachusetts at a music teachers' convention. This honor is a once-in-a-lifetime event and recognizes our school as having one of the finest band programs in the northeast.

Selected from a field of more than 100 bands, our band will perform at the National Convention of Music Educators at the Sheraton Hotel in March. The PTO congratulates the sixth grade band and Mr. Longstreth on this achievement.

Conference night at the middle school is scheduled for November 16th and 17th. It is requested that parents with students in Group I go on the first night, and parents of students in Group II the second night.

Every Middle School student is invited to participate in the accelerated reader program. The accelerated reader is based on a comprehensive list of books at all levels of difficulty from very easy to adult.

Each book has been assigned a point value based upon its reading level and length. Most of the books are available in the school library. The name of each student who wished to participate is entered on a computer disk according to his/her homeroom.

Additional computer disks contain comprehension tests for each book. These tests are detailed and require careful reading of the entire book in order to pass them. Adapted versions of movies do not contain enough information to allow the test to be passed. The number of points awarded to a student test-taker is dependent upon the number of questions answered correctly and the point value of the book.

Grade five students take their tests in the library; grade six students and all Project S.E.E. students take their tests in Rooms 307 and 303. The accelerated reader program keeps a running total of the number of points earned by each student. Every student who achieves at least 10 points in a half year is invited to a reward get-together.

In January 1993 there will be a program on Greek mythology, and in June there will be a party. Last June the party was a breakfast. In addition, awards are given for those who have achieved high scores.

Please encourage your child to participate in this program. The goal of the school is to achieve 100% involvement.

The Middle School PTO wishes to remind both parents and students to save their Campbell labels. Labels and other proofs or purchase from over 1,000 Campbell product varieties are eligible for redemption in Campbell's "Labels for Education" program. Please save the purchase proofs outlines below.

The next PTO board meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 2nd, in the Middle School cafeteria. Please make an effort to attend.

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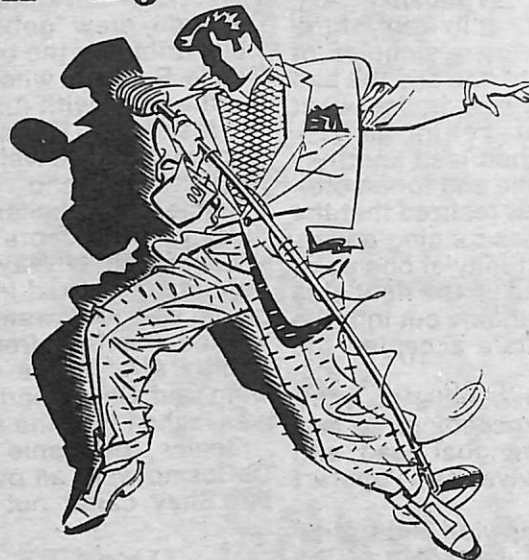


ERIN COCCHI (left) and CHRISTINA O'BRIEN both tied as "best sellers" in the recent fundraiser at James Clark School. The two second graders welcomed their new, life-sized pet gorillas, Jasper and/or Jasmine, with wide open arms. The Clark PTO wishes to thank all their students and wish to especially thank everyone who participated in this successful fall event. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Sports

Swk. Field Hockey Survives Stiff Challenge From AHS

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Two days after qualifying for the Western Mass. playoffs, the Agawam field hockey team took the field in Southwick to play its biggest rival for the second time this season.

With much of the regular season pressure lifted, the Brownies played a relaxed and confident game against the Rams and once again sought their first ever Ram conquest.

Having been hammered in a primetime contest in Agawam earlier this year, the Brownies had some recent payback to consider as well as the task of shutting down the normally high powered Ram offense.

With Kerry Thompson stationed between the goal posts, the Brownies went out and played the Rams tough in the first period. Most of the offensive activity was in the Brownie defensive backfield. Thompson had to make two beautiful stops in the first period as Southwick dominated the last 10 minutes and fostered many chances to score.

Meanwhile, Agawam's patient offense produced several chances that kept the midfielders and defenders of Southwick honest to some degree. It was scoreless at half and Coach Cyndi Grieve's team had reduced the game to a 30 minute affair.

After conferring with its veteran coach at halftime, Agawam came out and roared repeatedly at the Southwick cage in the early going of the second period. Beth McNamee played tall and strong in midfield for the Brownies. And her work rewarded Agawam's Rose Pignatare with a wicked slapper from the top of the circle. Debbie Parslow chipped in with some steady work on the left side of midfield and the Brownies were in charge for the first five minutes.

Southwick responded with some heavy action again and Thompson and her defensive mates stayed under fire for a prolonged period of time in the defensive circle.

Home Team Awarded Penalty Stroke

Finally, Thompson was forced to cover up yet another Ram surge. The home team was awarded a penalty stroke which was subsequently awarded to their big scorer, Danielle LaVerdiere.

Thompson squared up in the net in front of the talented Ram senior. But LaVerdiere's choice of the stickside corner was the right one and the ball banged loudly off the inside boards for what would turn out to be the only goal of the game.

The Rams tried to build on their lead and they kept the ball down in the Brownie end for an eternity following the goal. They now realized that the upset was unlikely with the clock running down.

Ann Maklary got a fine opportunity at one point for the Brownies as she travelled up the right side and created a chance for herself. She cut into the circle on the right side. Pignatare accepted the cross, but fired wide left.

Southwick dropped back a couple of extra defensive people late in the proceedings to protect the shutout and the one goal lead and ultimately, they would survive the upstart Brownies once again.

With the advent of the Southwick High girls' soccer team and the constant upgrading of the AHS field hockey program, one might think that in the near future this upset might actually occur.

The Brownies may get one more shot this year. And that would happen in the Western Mass. tournament. Both teams will be there.

Agawam High JV Girls Soccer Roll Along



MEMBERS OF THE 1992 Agawam High JV girls' soccer team, who rolled to their 12th win at presstime. Back row, from left - Jennifer Cote, Nicole Brittain, Jessica Crowley, Kate Vivenzio, Laura Rapa, Heather Pliska, Natalie Creanza, Sarah Suffriti, Jill Longo, and Coach John Hyland. Front row - Susan Defilippi, Nicole Sawyer, Laura Asta-Ferrero, Laura Mutti, Jill Miller, Beth Skelley, and Katie LaBreck. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Racicot's Deuce Puts AHS Girls In Western Mass. Soccer Tournament

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Agawam High School girls' soccer put it all together on Monday night as it turned back a solid and skilled Longmeadow High School team to the tune of a 3-0 whitewashing. The 11-5 Brownies propelled themselves into the playoffs by virtue of the win.

Agawam took an early lead and then played confident, powerful soccer the rest of the way. That early advantage was earned when Dina DeMarco drew gobs of attention on left wing while dribbling the ball and her cross to a cutting Nicole Racicot, who pounced it over goalkeeper Martha Shay with just 3:33 gone by.

Freshman Erica Schlaffer and Shauna Nacewicz played well at midfield and left fullback, respectively, and they turned back several Longmeadow challenges as the Lancers tried to quickly tie the score.

Longmeadow played excellent soccer in midfield just as it had in its 2-0 loss in a September game with Agawam. But Schlaffer repeatedly worked the ball free and played tough inside. Shortly after, Erica sent DeMarco away on left wing and Dina nearly converted it, but her shot was lashed into the side of the net.

Senior Stephanie Mason and junior Nicole DeCosmo were all over the cage a moment later, but Shay came out and smothered three consecutive drives. Longmeadow followed that with a breakout, but sweeper Alison Reseigne stepped up and broke up the play as she continues to grow and mature back there on the firing line in her freshman season.

The Longmeadow left winger nearly knotted the score with 13 minutes to play in the half. She turned the right side of the Agawam defense inside out before lacing one that senior goalie Kim Trudel just got a small piece of and steered it just wide (left).

Four minutes later, a Longmeadow header off an excellent corner cross was headed into the right post, and the Brownies held their tenuous one-goal lead. Schlaffer changed all that a few minutes later.

Agawam's "Insurance Policy"

With 5:07 to play, a direct kick from 20 yards out was whistled against the Lancers. Schlaffer took a rare opportunity and then took a verbal cue from Coach Bill O'Brien: "Erica, up Erica, up, hit the corner," he bellowed.

Always listen to your coach, my friends. Schlaffer picked the top left corner and nailed it just over Shay's leaping attempt at blocking it. 2-0 Agawam.

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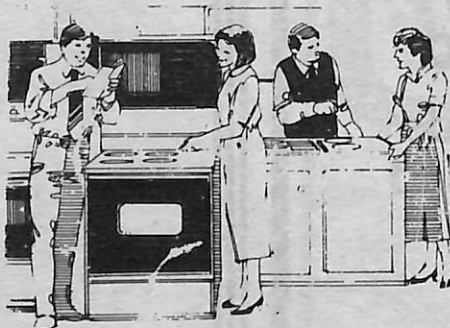
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Schlaffer sent DeMarco away again with 1:55 to play on an awesome timing play, but Dina couldn't quite get it home and the halfway horn sounded soon afterwards.

Five minutes into the second half, Racicot moved upfield with the Brownies as teammate Debbie Conklin lay at midfield as a result of the collision. Since Agawam maintained control, the referee left play continue and it paid off for the home club.

DeCosmo, who scored two goals against the Lancers in the earlier game, drew two defenders on the right side and dropped a pass back to the uncovered Racicot. Racicot walloped a drive over the goalie, just under the crossbar (inside the left post), to make it 3-0.

Racicot nearly got the hat trick when Kristin Schmaelzle sent her in with a rolling pass up the middle. Nicole beat the goalie and one-timed the ball softly towards the unattended cage. The ball rolled agonizingly slow and just trickled by the right post.

Longmeadow wouldn't quit and three consecutive corner plays were earned. Each one looked increasingly dangerous to Trudel's shutout bid, but the big senior keeper kept the vault door closed and Agawam waltzed off the field with its 11th win and the annual trip to the playoffs.

AHS Soccer Parents To Elect New Officers

Agawam Soccer Parents will be accepting nominations for the positions of the 1993 Officers. Anyone interested should attend the meeting on November 5th at 7:30 p.m. in the Agawam High School teachers' cafeteria.

All officers will be voted in at a meeting on November 19th at 7:30 p.m. in the Agawam High School teachers' cafeteria.

Terriers Whitewash AHS Girls, 2-0

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

In the first meeting of the season, the undefeated West Springfield lady Terriers soccer team spotted Agawam four goals before erupting for six of its own to win the match.

Coach Bill O'Brien, wary of that offensive power, installed a disruptive defense for the rematch in Agawam last Wednesday afternoon and his kids slowed down the Terriers and foiled their offensive rushes time after time.

The Agawam defensive "looks" and personnel constantly changed during the contest. And the teams that had scored 10 goals between them in meeting number one were locked in a scoreless battle midway in the second half.

West Springfield would finally break through the Agawam armor, however, and knock two goals to the back of the nets to escape from here with a 2-0 victory and its loss column still unblemished.

Stellar Work From Defense and Goalie

Funnelling all the Terrier chances to the middle of the field, Agawam constantly got stellar work from Shauna Naciewicz, Alison Reseigne, and Kristin Schmaelzle on defense, and another big game from goalie Kim Trudel.

April Rapa made some more fine plays at fullback and another recent addition to the defensive corps, Liz Cornwell, made her presence felt, too. Cornwell, at one point, kicked away a dangerous opportunity on one Terrier rush and then thwarted a two on zero rush by suddenly appearing in the middle of a big West Side chance and booting the ball out of harm's way.

West Springfield got a big early shot that went high and wide right early, but the Brownies answered when Schmaelzle punished a 30 yard direct kick that missed the crossbar by about two inches.

Dina DeMarco, shut down of late, made a big challenge on the left side as she turned the corner on the West Springfield fullback and fired one into

the left side of the nets.

West Side played crisply from that point on and had a series of corners that were all close to becoming goals. The visitors finally broke through with 23:30 remaining on yet another corner play.

The corner came from the left side of Trudel and landed right on the left foot of Heather Boisvere. She calmly laced the ball into the low left corner for the game's first marker.

Four minutes later, the Terriers nearly got another one home as a beautiful entry pass hit the right wing right in her coconut, but the ball spun just wide left.

A break in was fired wide 30 seconds later, but the patient Terriers finally put up the insurance goal with 13:55 to go with Sharon Polastry doing the honors as she broke free from a scramble 20 yards in front and came in alone on Trudel.

Polastry was so wide open that she dribbled it three times to set herself up and then she cranked one into the right corner.

Kathryn Barkman played huge at sweeper for the Terriers, especially in the second half. And she backed up a couple of steps late in the proceedings and was able to steer away an Agawam comeback hopes with some excellent stand up defensive work.

Locals Down Chicopee

The Brownies had to work for it, but they pulled within one win of another playoff appearance as they downed Chicopee on the road Friday afternoon, with a 3-2 conquest of the upset minded Pacers.

Agawam will face tough Longmeadow on Monday night in Agawam (story this edition). The girls are also eagerly awaiting the arrival of the Lions of Ludlow High on Election Night in a 6:30 p.m. tilt at Harmon Smith Field in the regular season finale.

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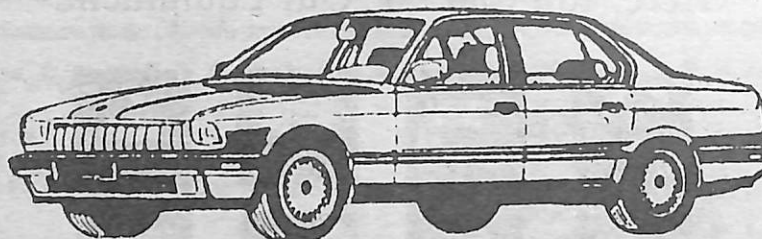
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AHS Football Subdued In Rain, 19-6

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Agawam High School was looking for its first win and Minnechaug Regional High School was looking for some respect. That was the table setter for the football game held at Harmon Smith Field in Agawam last Saturday afternoon.

Minnechaug earned that respect and denied Agawam its win in the process as the Falcons made two long confident scoring marches in the first half and went on to down the Brownies, 19-6 before a smallish, rain-soaked crowd.

Constant motion off an option look created havoc in the Brownie defensive corps for so much of the first half that Minnechaug actually ran 42 offensive plays from scrimmage. And the Brownies only had time to run six of them during the same period of time.

Bill Brady, the smallish Falcon quarterback, brought his offense to the line at the Minnechaug 37 to open the ballgame and the Brownies wouldn't get their hands on it for the next five and a half minutes. The Falcons embarked on a 15 play, 63 yard touchdown march.

They converted on four third down situations along the way as Brady and occasionally, Mike Poremba completed short passes that turned into rather sizeable gains (due to nifty running and suspect Agawam tackling).

Derek Giordano was the money man as he cashed in on a seven yard sweep of the right side for the touchdown with 4:27 to play. Brady split the uprights on the PAT and the Brownies' ball control offense was forced to come from behind again.

Seven Yard Burst on First Down

Todd Chamberlain followed up a fine Tom Briggs kick return with a seven yard burst on first down, but the Brownie drive stalled and they had to punt the ball away.

An illegal hands penalty on the punt return backed the Falcons up to their own 15 yard line. Undaunted, the Falcons went on a drive that ate up 11:15 of the first half clock. That is certainly significant in this new era of 10 minute quarter clocks in high school football.

More importantly, the 22 plays in the drive (most of them for positive yardage) kept the Agawam offense off the field and wore down the Brownie defense in the process.

On that 22nd play, the Brownies deserved a better fate. On fourth and 12 from the 17 of Agawam, the Falcons seemed to be coming up empty on the possession.

Instead, Nick Langone chased Brady out to the right side on a sprint-out, but couldn't get all the way to the sideline to hem him in. Brady turned the corner and sprinted down the right sideline. He made the first down, slipped two tackles, and went into the end zone standing up. There was just 1:27 showing on the halftime clock. The PAT was wide right and the scoreboard read 13-0.

Three incompletions by quarterback Dan Moriarty was the extent of the Agawam offense and it didn't eat up enough clock to run out the time in the second quarter. Chamberlain punted down to the Minnechaug 34, but Brady and his bunch weren't done yet.

Chris Tarantino made a superb one handed catch (in the rain, mind you) over the middle. He broke tackles all the way down the field, and made it to the Agawam 3 when Moriarty was able to finally drag him down.

Brady took it over the right side with 24 seconds to play and Minnechaug had built the lead to 19-0. The two point conversion was foiled on a bat down by Brian King.

75 Yard Kickoff Return By Briggs

Still, Agawam somehow managed to take the momentum to the lockerroom! How? Well, try a super 75-yard kickoff return by Tommy Briggs off a squib kick. It was mishandled in the Agawam return corps until Briggs could get his mitts on it.

With no rhythm on either side of the field, Briggs stepped up in a hole, cut left, and put on the burners all the way to paydirt. It was an exciting play and the Brownies actually were back in it. Brian Anderson's PAT was blocked.

Agawam got the ball first in the second half and immediately got a lift from sophomore running back Jay Votzakis, who powered for Agawam's first first down of the game on the first two plays from scrimmage.

On fourth and short in their own territory, the Brownies went for it. But Votzakis was stopped a full yard short of the sticks and Minnechaug got it back.

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THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

A Design Public Hearing will be held by the Massachusetts Highway Department to discuss proposed safety and capacity improvements along Route 187 (South Westfield Street) in the Town of Agawam.

WHERE: Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA.

WHEN: Monday, November 9, 1992 at 7:00 P.M.

PURPOSE: To provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed roadway reconstruction project. All views and comments made at the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The proposed project consists of widening South Westfield Street from an existing variable 22'-24' roadway width to a uniform 40' width, between Route 57 and approximately 300' north of Hendon Drive. In addition, traffic signals will be installed at the intersection of Route 187 and Shoemaker Lane, and geometric roadway improvements will be made at each intersection.

Written views received by the Department subsequent to the date of this notice and up to five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing shall be displayed for public inspection and copying at the time and date listed above.

Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements at the Public Hearing regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Michael W. Swanson, P.E., Chief Engineer, Massachusetts Highway Department, Ten Park Plaza, Boston, Massachusetts, 02116. Such submissions will also be accepted at the hearing. The final date for receipt of these statements and exhibits will be ten (10) days after the Public Hearing.

Plans will be on display for one half hour before the hearing, with an Engineer in attendance to answer questions regarding this project.

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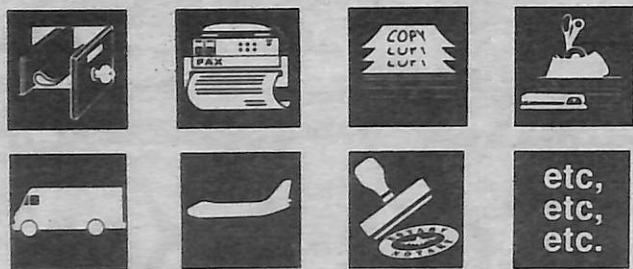
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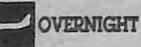
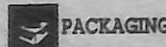


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Phelps Field Building Nearing Completion; Staff Praised

As the Phelps Field Building nears completion, Recreation Director Jack Kunasek has praised the project.

"Congratulations go out to the Building Maintenance employees headed by Tony Albro, Deputy Director of Building Maintenance, who designed and is overseeing this construction project, and to Mike Piccin, Foreman of Grounds, assisted by Larry Montagna and the rest of his work crew, who laid out all the preliminary ground work," said Kunasek. "All these people have been working hard to complete the building before cold weather sets in."

This building is a multi-purpose structure. It has toilet facilities which are handicap-accessible for both men and women, a snack bar area, and a press box which is constructed on top.

The upper level press box is designed so that the Agawam Soccer Association and Agawam Youth Football Association will be able to announce and film their games in the fall, and the Agawam Little League will be able to use the facility in the spring and summer. This building has been needed for many years.

Back in the late 40's and early 50's, this playing field was home for the power-laden Agawam High School teams and home of the Agawam Semi-Pro Football Brownies. Both teams were coached by Harmon Smith and crowds of 6,000 to 8,000 people were the standard.



THE NEW BUILDING AT PHELPS FIELD will have an upper level press box, bathroom facilities equipped for the handicapped (men and women), and a snack bar area. The Agawam Soccer Association, Agawam Youth Football Association, and Agawam Little League will utilize the building. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Comp Sends Brownies To Another Defeat In Boys' Soccer

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Agawam High boys' soccer finally got some recognition last week when it stood tall on the road and battled the West Springfield High Terriers to a 0-0 tie.

The inspirational performance carried over to their game against Chicopee Comp last Thursday afternoon. The locals dominated the visitors for the first 20 minutes of the match at Harmon Smith Field in Agawam.

But Matt Gilpatrick's late first half goal for Chicopee Comp sent the Colts on their way to a 3-0 win as they fed off that goal and set up momentum for the rest of the contest.

Trailing 1-0 at halftime, and despite playing well, Agawam came out chippy in the second half and got away from their game plan all together. And they ultimately paid the price with their 12th loss of the season.

Dale Craven and Bob Chouinard added the insurance markers for the Colts in a card infested second period. Yellow cards, red cards, angry words, and untimely fan involvement made the game's waning moments a forgettable experience.

Fine early work by Luis Savina and Scott Rapacki went wasted and the Brownies were relegated to thinking about how to salvage another disappointing season on the scoreboard without letting the whole thing unravel in the process.

The Brownies will conclude the season with a home date against Central (presstime) and then take it on the road to Westfield (10/30, 7:00 p.m.) and Minnechaug (11/2).

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The rest of the second half was scoreless despite the Brownies getting it into Falcon country on two occasions (only to come away empty). A Marcus Trinchini fumble recovery early in the fourth quarter set up Agawam on its own 48.

Briggs got a couple of sizeable bursts up the middle in the drive that finally stalled on a fourth and 13. A pass to Nathan Wooley in the end zone was well wide of the mark and ball went over on downs to the Falcons.

The final Agawam drive of the day seemed to end up in the end zone when Wooley broke free on the right sideline and collected what appeared to be a 43-yard touchdown. But a holding penalty wiped that out and the game and the field deteriorated from that point forward.

The Brownies are now 0-6 on the campaign and will be heading for Chicopee Comprehensive High this Saturday afternoon (1:30 kickoff) in search of that elusive first victory.

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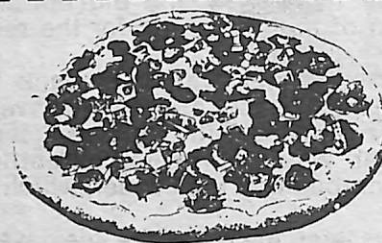
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Ag. Youth Football Juniors Fall; Seniors Tie With Westfield

The Agawam Warriors hosted Westfield on Sunday, October 25th, at Harmon Smith Field. On a cold and windy day, the Junior and Senior contests both turned into defensive battles. While the Junior Warriors went down to defeat, the Senior game ended in a tie.

In the first quarter of the Junior game, the Warriors and the Westfield Colonials held each other scoreless. On a heads up play, Jeremiah Graves blocked a Westfield punt. Bob Fuller then recovered the loose ball for good field position.

Fuller scooped up another fumble in the second quarter. However, in that same quarter, the Warriors were forced to punt. A bad snap from center sailed over the punter's head and into the end zone. This resulted in a two-point safety for the Colonials. The score at halftime was Westfield 2, Agawam 0.

The defensive standoff continued through the third quarter and well into the fourth. In the fourth quarter, Brian St. Jean intercepted a pass to contribute to the defensive effort.

Late in the game, with only a minute on the clock, the Colonials drove deep into Agawam territory. They dove in from the one yard line to score the only touchdown of the game. The conversion attempt was also successful.

The Warrior defense did a good job keeping the game close. The leading defenders were Vin Buoniconti with five tackles and three assists, and Matt Slattey with four tackles and three assists. Mike Blevins, Mike Buoniconti, and Bob Fuller were other key players that contributed to the defensive effort.

Vin Buoniconti and Matt Slattey had good all-around performances, as they were also the leading yard gainers on the Warrior offense.

Despite a good effort by all players, the Junior Warriors took only their second loss of the season. The final score was Westfield 10, Agawam 0.

The Senior Warriors then took on the Westfield Patriots, as another clash of defenses began. These two teams were able to contain each other through much of this contest.

There was no scoring in the first half of the game. Neither team gave much ground, as most of the action in the first half took place near midfield. In fact, both offenses were unable to drive beyond their opponents' 35 yard line.

Agawam was plagued in the first half by poor field position. Twice in the first half, Warrior drives started on around their own 10 yard line following Patriot punts. The score at the half was a suspenseful 0-0 gridlock.

In the third quarter, the Patriots mounted a sustained drive. The drive went 68 yards on 10 plays for a Westfield touchdown. The extra two-point conversion was also good. After this scoring drive, Westfield never came close again. The Warrior defense toughened and did not allow the Patriots out of their own end for the rest of the game.

The fourth quarter was comeback time for Agawam. The offense started a drive on the Westfield 47 yard line. Although the first play was a pass that was intercepted, Westfield was penalized for roughing the passer, which kept the drive alive.

Four plays later, the offensive line gave quarterback Phil McGeoghan time to throw a perfect 10-yard pass. The pass threaded the needle to Nick Christy in the end zone for a Warrior TD. In a crucial play, McGeoghan ran off right tackle and stretched into the end zone to make the two-point conversion and tie up the game.

The Warriors managed to grind out 123 yards on offense in this game. Chris Bednarzyk carried 13 times for 57 yards, and Kevin Perreault carried 21 times for 51 yards.

Chris Bednarzyk also had an outstanding day on defense with nine tackles and two assists. Andy St. Jean had three tackles and three assists and an interception. Other top defenders were Vin Tirone, Nick Christy, and George Graves. Adam Kimball came up with a fumble recovery when a Westfield player mishandled a punt return.

Although Agawam tried to put together one last drive, the clock wound down and the game ended in an 8-8 tie.

These games were filmed by F & F Productions and will be shown on the local cable access channel 32. The times and dates of these broadcasts will be announced in the *Agawam Advertiser*.

The Warriors will play their last home game at Harmon Smith Field this Sunday, November 1st, when they host the teams from Springfield-South. The Junior game will start at 12:00 noon, with the Senior game to follow.

Best Local News...

Agawam/West Side Hockey Association Holding 16-Week Basic Skills Program

The Agawam/West Springfield Hockey Association will hold a 16-week program for developmental hockey/basic skating skills. Registration will be held on November 9th at the West Springfield Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Starting November 15th, 1992 and running until March 28, 1993, this program will run on Sundays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. at the Olympia Arena, Capital Drive, in West Springfield. The cost is \$65 per person (no refunds), and prospective participants must have been born in 1985, 1986, or 1987 (however, anyone registered in any other skating program may not participate in this program).

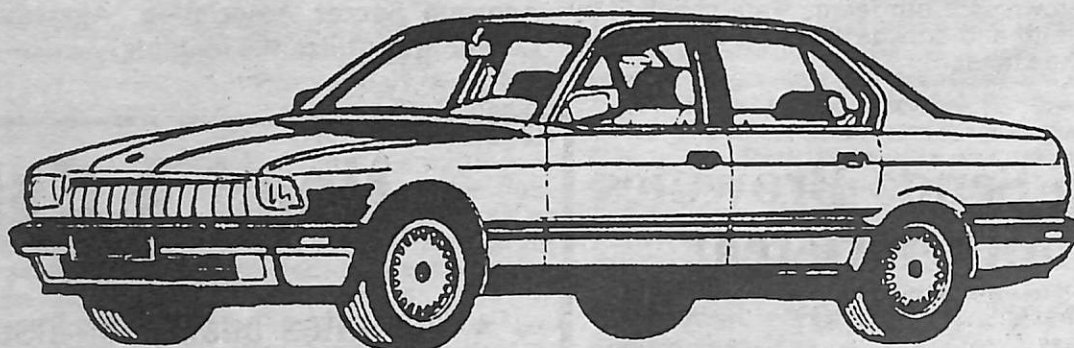
In addition, the following is a short list of the equipment that is required for entrance into the program: hockey skates; approved helmet with approved face shield; and elbow pads and knee pads.

During the registration on November 9th, parents/guardians **must** register their children and present birth certificates. Space is limited, and entrance will be on a first come, first served basis; make checks payable to Baywest Hockey Association.

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*Outgoing Mail...***What Are Your Thoughts On The 1986 World Series, Dave Stapleton?**by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports EditorDave Stapleton
c/o Boston Red Sox
Fenway Park
Boston, MA
(please forward)

Dear Dave,

I hope this letter finds you well and happy in pursuit of your lifetime goals. I may sound like a crackpot, but I would love it if you might answer a couple of questions for me.

It's been six seasons now since the fabulous 1986 World Series and as a staunch Red Sox supporter, I have always wanted to vindicate Bill Buckner and John McNamara for the error that ended Game Six of that Fall Classic.

That is where you enter the lore. Many people do not realize that the option that McNamara had in that game was to put you in for a defensive replacement.

I looked in my "Total Baseball" Field Register and found out that you played in 29 games that season at first base, six games at second base, and two games at shortstop. You had made a sparkling sliding catch of a foul pop up in Game One of the Series.

Funny, too, that Sox fans can not remember that you won Game One by a 1-0 score when Tim Teufel allowed a ground ball to roll between his legs for the game-winning run! Isn't that ironic?

I heard recently that somebody said that Bill Buckner was allowed to remain in the game because he wanted to be on the field to celebrate with his teammates as they won the World Series. Yes, I would say that McNamara was well-justified to leave a man who had played 138 games at first base that season with a .989 field average.

He was also the same Bill Buckner who led the league in assists with 157 and was involved in 104 double plays. Yes, the same Bill Buckner who saved guys like Marty Barrett, Jackie Guttierrez, Wade Boggs, and yourself countless throwing errors by picking those balls at first base so cleanly and so well for so long.



Let's harken back to that game. Did you want to go in? Would it be smart to put in a guy who hasn't played all day and put him in there in the tight? Did you feel all along from the start of the inning that the Sox needed you in there to replace Buckner? Did any of these things even cross your mind? It had to be euphoric after you had scored the two runs anyway, right?

Now, let's say that you are in the game and that

ball is hit to you. You make the play and end the inning. Chances are that you would have made the play. It was fairly routine. After the play, would the Red Sox be celebrating the World Series win that they have waited for so long?

Nope, they would have been heading for the bat rack in a tie ballgame in the 11th inning. I think so many people have blinders on about the whole incident. Bob Stanley and Calvin Schiraldi were already used up in the bullpen, and most of Boston didn't trust Stanley anymore (mainly because of his big contract! How foolish, eh?).

The game was on the road in New York, and the Mets were in the World Series because of their deep and talented bullpen. The Red Sox were there because of excellent seasons by Jim Rice, Bill Buckner (39 doubles, 18 homers 102 RBI), Marty Barrett, Dwight Evans, and maybe we ought to throw in a guy named Clemens.

I don't think now, nor did I then think, that Bill Buckner blew the World Series. Of course, the issue was that he was hobbling so badly. But here is a man who lived in the hotels next to the ice machine and played through that problem all season. It didn't affect his play that much.

He didn't run as much in '86, although he did steal six bases after a team-high 18 the previous year. The ball was not one that he could not reach. He had to take several steps to his left, get in front of it, and then beat Mookie Wilson to the bag (which was no small task in itself.)

Dave, you do have a place in Red Sox lore. People may not realize that you did hit .271 over a solid, seven-year career as a fine utility man. You played short, third, second, and the outfield, and you took your shots at first when called upon. You also clocked 41 homers and knocked in 224, including three straight seasons of 10 or more homers.

Send me a picture of you if you have any left, and let me know what you think of how Game Six Eighty Six is remembered. I think it is a shame. How about you?

Respectfully,
Bob Johnson

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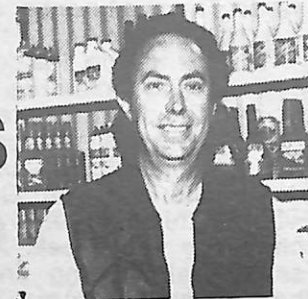
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*The Point After...***Handicapping — From Kibbe To McSweeney**

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Remember when former Agawam High Athletic Director **Cliff Kibbe** used to handicap the ballgames. He'd stroll up to me before the big game and give his prediction willingly. It wouldn't take long to find him after a ballgame that he hit on the head.

Now, that tradition is being rekindled on the campus of Agawam High School. With the rain pouring down on Saturday afternoon, and with Agawam getting their tails kicked by the score of 19-0, Athletic Director **Kathy McSweeney** leaned over to me in the Press Box and informed me that the Brownies were going to break the kickoff. Naturally, she was in her glory when **Tommy Briggs** made that beautiful 75-yard run to the end zone.

And then she had the audacity to ask me to write about it! Not in this lifetime, Kathy...

Despite the woeful record of the Brownies this season, **Coach Dean Vecchiarelli** now finds himself with an opportunity to call for any play at any time for the rest of the season. If he wants to fake a punt, then he can fake a punt. If he wants to go for it on fourth and two in his own territory, then why not do it? The team is winless, so why not pull out all the stops. Vecch and his charges also find themselves in the role of spoiler and they certainly wouldn't mind knocking off Cathedral or somebody like that just to ruin their post season plans...

Despite the sporadic heavy rains on Saturday, there was only one turnover in the whole ballgame. It was a fumble that was recovered by Agawam's **Marcus Trinchini** early in the fourth. Later, a Minnechaug interception was wiped out on a near slapstick situation with three separate fumbles on the same play.

One of those flags was thrown as a Minnechaug coach figured that he should walk all the way over to the Agawam sideline via the football field to argue his point. It doesn't take a zebra long to find his yellow laundry when something that blatant occurs...

After starting the season right on target with his passes, quarterback **Dan Moriarty** had a tough day Saturday in the passing department as he was forced to bring his club from way behind. He completed only three of 17 in the desperation comeback. He did have a nice touchdown pass called back due to holding and there were two drops on the afternoon...

Trinchini and **Todd Chamberlain** made a ton of tackles between them as Minnechaug spent the entire first half making gains of four and five yards. The two linebackers did a solid job of keeping the Falcons out of the secondary.

On the flip side, the defensive line had a terrible day trying to tackle the slick little Falcon ballcarriers at the point of attack...

The Brownies have beaten Comp both times in the Vecchiarelli Era as his third season winds down. The kids from Comp have picked up two wins on this campaign and could pose a difficult challenge next week. Agawam winds down the season with Comp on the road, Cathedral at home, Northampton at home, and then travel to West Springfield on Thanksgiving...

Sportsmen's Corner

— By Bill Chiba —

**Cats And Rabies**

It is happening—animals infected with rabies are being found in Massachusetts at an alarming rate. Nine new cases have been discovered in the Worcester area and the northeast section of the state.

It was suspected that this increase would happen in Western Mass. Not so, but we should be really alarmed over the numbers throughout the entire state.

It is recommended that cats should receive rabies shots as soon as possible. The only way to insure that every cat is immune is to demand that every cat be licensed in a community. The system should be the same for cats as it is for dogs.

My opinion is that the Agawam Town Council (which took it lightly when it was requested that cats be licensed) should be concerned for the safety and health of the community.

At present, a cat bite should not be taken lightly. A rabid infection of a human is serious. If the person does not receive shots in time, they could die ... and this is a very agonizing death.

The number of road deaths in town of small animals (raccoons and possums) points to the increased number of animals that have invaded the town. Nature usually takes care of an animal population explosion by disease; in the case of raccoons and possums, the disease is rabies.

Now is the time to act on protecting our townspeople, not six months from now because of arguments on how serious the problem is. If you don't care for your own life, at least care for a

child's welfare.

NEW BOW DEER SEASON RECORD SET

Bowhunters have set a new deer kill record in the Granite State (New Hampshire) barely one month after the season began.

Bowmen took 764 deer as of October 12th, beating last year's season-long total of 732. Last year at this time, 456 white-tailed deer had been downed by bowhunters.

"This is our third record archery deer kill in the last four years," commented Steve Weber, Fish and Game Department's deer biologist. "With nine weeks left in the season, the total harvest in 1992 by bowhunters may exceed 1,000."

The Massachusetts doe permits have been sent out by this date. If you feel that you should have received one and did not, contact the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife at its Westboro Headquarters. They should be able to answer your questions.

Tiny Thompson, bowhunter from Southwick and Agawam bowmen member, reports that a bear cub was seen sitting in the front yard of a home in Tolland. The couple opened their front door and stepped outside to get a better look at the cute animal.

Momma bear came around the side of the house, eyed the couple, and immediately charged. The good samaritans just made it back into the house and slammed the door.

Fellows, be careful and carry your mace if you are planning to hunt the area.

Bowhunter Ted Leal of Feeding Hills has scored on two deer already; a doe in Connecticut, and one in New York State. He is on a roll.

Jim Wheeler, Ted's hunting partner, witnessed a rare spectacle—two bucks fighting for the top of the pecking order, witnessed by four other bucks. The largest buck won and he led the other bucks up the mountain after the fight. They followed the winner in a line.

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*Sports A La Carte...***A Great World Series;
Congrats, Don Baylor!**

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The 1992 World Series only served to underscore the reality that baseball is the only sport! Nine days of ebb and flow intertwined each and every player on both rosters. It ended in a marathon Game Six which had more than its share of drama.

Wouldn't it have been wonderful if FRANCISCO CABRERA'S ninth inning drive to leftfield had air-mailed CANDY MALDONADO and driven in the game-winning and game-tying runs? He hit it solidly and Maldonado basically froze on the baseball for the first half of its flight. But Francisco Cabrera will be nothing more than a distant memory by the time spring training rolls around...

Tell me those Miami Dolphins shouldn't hide their heads in shame for letting STEVE EMTMAN rumble and stumble his way 90 yards on the game's final play last Sunday in the Colts' upset victory?

The Dolphins did exactly what we try and teach our kids not to do. They quit. In case you missed it, the Dolphins were trying to score the game-winning touchdown on the final play. DAN MARINO'S pass was intercepted at the Indy 10 yard line. The 300-plus pound rookie lineman took it up the sidelines and none of the Dolphin receivers or running backs ever came into the TV frame. Emtman took in it for six...

Twelve more weeks on the shelf for CAM NEELY of the Boston Bruins. Sounds like a February return to me. They've gotten out of the gate as well as anybody can remember. But the B's will miss him plenty somewhere down the line...

DOMINIQUE WILKINS scores 33 in a 26 minute span in an early season exhibition game and true basketball fans everywhere have to break into a smile. Basketball doesn't need to lose a talent that prematurely... Tell me that you aren't alarmed that college football has already entered the pay-per-view arena. It's going to be uphill from here, my friends...

RED BARBER wasn't my hero, but he did begin blazing a trail that ultimately would find me on the line. Long before my time, WALT LANIER BARBER was sitting in his "catbird seat" and bringing baseball to the common folk. He had to be a great guy...

Here, here, DON BAYLOR. May the Rockies bring you wealth, fortune, and fame. I can't imagine any of his players dogging it, can you? You can bet that this will be one expansion team that will come to play every night.

Take it one step further and you'll probably find several players on the team that will be inclined to "take one for the team" when those baseballs come whizzing towards them. Baylor was the all-time leader in getting hit by pitches...

An item you might have missed this week: the Associated Press tells the story that ESPN has decided to drop baseball from its 1994 and 1995 format. They could have locked up its stranglehold on televising baseball for \$250 million.

Instead, ESPN opted for a \$13 million buyout. Standby to watch those numbers drop dramatically. USA or TNT networks might jump into the fray and try to play with the big boys. But they'll get squashed as well until sensibility returns.

People have been trying to tell them for years that TV was a false bottom and now they are going to find out. ESPN claims to have lost about half of its investment on its four year, \$400 million deal. It has to be frustrating to them because they do such a fantastic job of bringing us everything...

At last check, BRETT HULL had gone five straight games without a goal for the St. Louis Blues. Somebody is going to pay soon...

You have to be rooting for STEVE PALLERMO, the wounded baseball umpire, if you watched 20/20 last Friday night. He's beating all the odds and he has to realize that the nation is behind him 100 percent. My crystal ball predicts that he will be the only umpire in history that people come to the ballpark to see at his trade.

NOBODY covers local sports like our Bob Johnson. Be sure to read his stories each and every week

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STANDINGS**

BOYS' U10				
Campana's Blue Lightning	5	0	1	11
McLean's Red Raiders	4	0	1	9
Chretien's Destroyers	3	2	1	7
Hamre's Bombers	3	2	1	7
Zajdel's Orange Crush	3	2	1	7
Pelletier's Gold Rush	2	2	2	6
Begley's Green Dragons	1	3	2	4
Fleming's Blue Devils	1	3	2	4
McGuire's Strikers	1	4	1	3
Dempsey's Black Attack	0	5	0	0

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BOYS' U12

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This Halloween Party event is loaded with goodies! The event will offer real racing-Late Models, Pro 4 Modifieds, Strictly Stocks, Mini Stocks, plus Left/Right cars, formerly of Stafford.

And, that's not all ... Full Size Enduro, Death Defying Figure 8 racing, the four cylinder Enduro, 4 x 4 Amateur Monster car crushing, 1/2 ton pickup truck racing, and much more.

For the kids, it's a Halloween trackside costume contest. For ages 12 and under, the overall best costume judged by the fans will receive a trophy and \$100 in cash. Kids eight years of age and under dressed in full Halloween costume (kids only) will be admitted to the races FREE! (at 5:00 p.m., South gate only). To be part of the contest, parents must attend with the children and pay the race day adult price of just \$9.99. This will be held, rain or shine.

Enduro drivers in the full size or 4 cylinder, who come dressed in costumes, will also be judged in a race drivers costume contest. The fans will choose the best driver in costume, trackside, and the winner will receive \$100. Left and Right drivers are eligible to compete in the costume contest.

Entry for the Saturday, October 31st Halloween Madness Enduro is being taken by mail only—\$10 in advance for the full size and 4 cylinder Enduro. The rules are simple: remove all glass except the windshield; remove all chrome; leave stock seat with complete seat belts; bolt or weld all doors and one simple hoop type roll bar; paint your number on; and go racing for \$1,000 in prize money (total purse full size). Purse for 4 cylinder is \$500.

To enter, send \$10 to Riverside Park Speedway, P.O. Box 307, Agawam, MA 01001, Attn: Enduro Entry-Mary. List full name, address, zip, phone number and car, and specify Enduro, Full Size or 4 Cylinder Enduro.

The car with the best Halloween paint job will be selected by the fans and will receive \$100, plus a trophy. So, the more fans a competitor brings, the better his chance is of winning.

For copies of photos in this edition, please call Jack Devine at 789-0053. He has all the negatives and will be glad to help you - AAN!!!

Riverside Speedway Is Fun For All Ages



Wearing a racing helmet and sitting next to a Riverside driver, this youngster demonstrates that he is a big fan of this particular sport.

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GIRLS' U10		PTS.		
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Shea's Red Devils		5	Sullivan's Black Widows	0
Feeley's Blue Lightning		5		
Gensheimer's Stingers		4	CO-ED U15	
Schutt's Strikers		0	Raynor's Raiders	8
			Tilden's Red Heat	6
GIRLS' U12			Serra's Stingers	4
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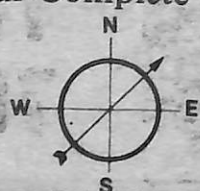
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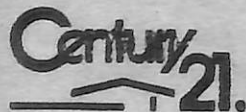
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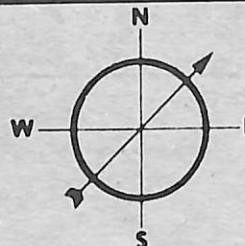
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